



Pauline Welbourne

January 22, 1928 - September 1, 2024

Pauline Marie Welbourne, age 96, of Neola, Iowa, passed away Sept. 1, 2024, at Methodist Manor Care Center in Storm Lake.

Pauline has chosen to be cremated. Memorial services will take place Friday, September 6, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. at First Presbyterian Church in Neola, Iowa. Luncheon will follow immediately after the service. Burial will be in the Grange Cemetery in Honey Creek, Iowa. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the CHURCH. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Pauline was born in Honey Creek, Iowa, on January 22nd, 1928, to Langford and Viola (Fulfs) Fox. As she was growing up, she also lived near Beebeetown and Sidney, Iowa. She graduated from Mondamin High School in 1946. After graduating, she worked at General Motors in Omaha, Nebraska for three years.

On May 5th, 1950, Pauline married Maurice Joe Welbourne and enjoyed 64 years of marriage. Joe and Pauline moved into their first and only home where they raised their family of four children. Joe and Pauline enjoyed many years of attending their children's and grandchildren's events. They also enjoyed taking numerous trips together, with family and friends. At home, Pauline never sat idle. She enjoyed walking outdoors, especially at Arrow Head Park.

She also enjoyed mushroom hunting in the spring. She was faithful to exercising anyway she could. She golfed and rode her exercise bike to the extent where she wore out the bearings on two bikes. She was a diehard follower of Iowa Hawkeye sports of any kind. Most recently she became an avid Caitlin Clark fan, sharing the same birthday. She will be fondly remembered by her family for the delicious food and meals prepared for family gatherings. Her homemade pies, cookies, and her caramel rolls will be most remembered.

Pauline was a faithful member of the First Presbyterian Church in Neola. She was named the Lay Person of the Year in 1988. She held offices in various church groups.

Pauline was also a member of the American Legion Auxiliary in Neola, beginning in 1950. She volunteered at Veterans Hospital in Omaha, and also at the Jennie Edmundson Hospital in Council Bluffs for 24 years.

Beginning in 2018, Pauline moved to Storm Lake, where she resided at Lake Pointe Villa, a senior independent living facility. She enjoyed her new home which allowed her to view the lake and all the activities surrounding it. She met many new people that became dear friends during her time there. While at Pointe Villa, Pauline spent hours enjoying the passion she had for reading. She usually had a good mystery read in two days. It was a challenge to keep good books available to her.

Pauline was preceded in death by her husband, Joe, her parents, Langford and Viola Fox, her sister, Ruth Welbourn, and husband, Duane, nieces, Debbie Wright, and Tammy Meyerring, and great grandson, Weston McCoy.

Pauline is survived by her four children: Son Reg Welbourne of Okoboji, IA, Son Steve (wife Deb) Welbourne of Gold Canyon, AZ, Daughter Jane

(husband Charles) Rauch of Storm Lake, IA, and Daughter Diane (husband Kevin) Brandt of Storm Lake, IA. Also surviving are her 5 grandchildren: Anne McCoy (husband Tanner), Katie Kessler (husband Jesse), Ryan Brandt (wife Lauren), Tyson Brandt, and Morgan Yeboah (husband Eugene) and 8 great grandchildren: Hendrix and Broox Kessler, Zae McCoy, Yannis Yeboah, Kora and Kynlee Brandt, and Blaire and Burke Brandt.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church - Neola
400 2nd St.
Neola, IA 51559
<https://fpcneola.com/>

Memorial Service

SEP 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Pauline Welbourne*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - September 05, 2024 at 07:53 PM

CA

“ *I LOVED your mother. I will always remember her smile and frequent little chuckle. She was so good to me and always so kind. I loved the way she had a wedding shower for me. And I felt like the Welbourne home was my second home in town. So gracious, hospitable, loving, and the perfect housewife and mother. Beautiful inside and out. She left a legacy of love. I am grateful to have been blessed by Pauline as a child. Grace, peace, and hope, Cindy Alloway*

Cindy Alloway - September 28, 2024 at 07:03 PM



“ 129 files added to the album LifeTributes



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - September 05, 2024 at 03:46 PM



“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - September 05, 2024 at 03:00 PM



*To the Welbourne family,
So sorry at the passing of Pauline. She was a sweet lady, a pillar of Neola, and a dear, dear friend to my mother. They shared a deep faith in God and lived their faith.
Condolences to your family.
Doug Gardner*

Doug Gardner - September 06, 2024 at 09:31 AM

JH

“ Judy and Larry Hornbostel. Ejoyed the times we had together ! Loved seeing you every Friday to do your hair .



Judy Hornbostel - September 04, 2024 at 09:02 PM

DM

“ Dennis, Nate and Alyssa Meyerring planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pauline Welbourne.

Dennis, Nate and Alyssa Meyerring - September 04, 2024 at 08:19 PM

DM

“ Dennis, Nate and Alyssa Meyerring purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Pauline Welbourne.



Dennis, Nate and Alyssa Meyerring - September 04, 2024 at 08:19 PM

SW

“ Scott, Pam, Erin and Lance Wright planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pauline Welbourne.

Scott, Pam, Erin and Lance Wright - September 04, 2024 at 01:48 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Pauline Welbourne.*



September 04, 2024 at 01:48 PM



“ *Pauline was such a lovely person and role model. She spent countless hours volunteering with the American Legion Aux., at the Hoo Doo lunch stand, and at Jennie Edmundson Hosp. (and more). She was a real asset in the Neola community. My sincere condolences to all Pauline's family.*

Kris Schnitker - September 04, 2024 at 12:50 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Pauline Welbourne.*



September 03, 2024 at 03:30 PM

BM

“ *My sincere condolences Diane, Kevin, & Sons Ryan, Tyson, and other Welbourne members,*

*I only met your mother once, but having met family members, she impressed me as a remarkable parent and homemaker. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.
May she R I P. May God bless your family.*

*Your friend,
Bonnie Mester*

Bonnie Mester - September 02, 2024 at 11:06 PM

JE

*We had so many great times with Joe and Pauline whether it was after ball games, spur of the moment Weiner roast at Arrowhead or celebrating anniversaries at Mr. Cees.
Pauline did so much for our church. I always admired her so much and she even had a birthday card for me this year sent just before she died.
She will be missed*

Jan Elliott - September 04, 2024 at 09:45 AM

AR

Condolences to the families and friends,prayers to all.

andy Ring - September 04, 2024 at 12:56 PM