



Verla A. Anderson

January 28, 1913 - February 23, 2015

Verla Alice Anderson of Storm Lake, Iowa, a loving, active mother, grandmother and great-grandmother passed away February 23, 2015.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, February 28, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. at the United Methodist Church in Storm Lake. Burial will follow in the Storm Lake Cemetery. Visitation will take place Friday, February 27, 2015 from 5-8:00 p.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake. In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund has been established. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Verla was born January 28, 1913 to Verl A. and Katie B. (Miller) Alstott in Webster County, Iowa. Verla lived with her parents on a farm in Pocahontas County, near Laurens, Iowa. She graduated in 1931 from Ware High School, in Ware, Iowa. Verla attended Buena Vista College and taught school in Buena Vista County. One of her special college memories was singing with the Girls' College Sextet and making a trip to Ames, Iowa to sing at a Radio Station broadcasting a Musical Event.

On December 24, 1935, Verla was united in marriage to Chester C. Anderson, Storm Lake, at the Storm Lake United Methodist Church by Rev. Arrosmith. The couple was happily married for more than 60 years. Verla was the mother of three sons, Roger and twin sons, Craig and Caroll. Verla spent her early

years as a homemaker, striving to make a comfortable home for her family and make each one feel special. Verla was devoted to her family, her home and church and being helpful to others. It was a joy for her when her family spent time with her and she felt a special pride in her three sons' accomplishments. Verla spent many hours beautifying their home and yard with flowers.

Verla was a gifted seamstress. She sewed wedding clothes, special occasion dresses, suits and many shirts, and made drapes and many quilts for her family and friends also. Verla could make something old look beautiful and useful. She could repair and fix many household problems. Verla had other interests. She enjoyed music, cooking, baking, flowers and always being busy. Verla's home was always open to friends and neighbors.

Chester and Verla enjoyed traveling with their three sons in most of the Continental United States and in Canada. Later Chester and Verla traveled in Europe, Hawaii, Alaska and Canada, and spent winters in Florida, Texas, Arizona and California.

Left to cherish her memory is her loving family: son, Roger (Judy) Anderson of Storm Lake and family: David (Norma) Anderson, Carrollton, TX; Susan (Steve) Webster, Arlington, TX; and Steve (Amy) Anderson of Overland Park, KS; son, Craig (Mary) Anderson and family, all in the Omaha, NE area: Barry Kussman; Mark (Jackie) Kussman; Jill Kussman; and Michael (Robin) Kussman; son, Carroll (Ardys) Anderson and family, all in the West Des Moines, IA area: Kristina Anderson and husband Firoz Khan; and Reed (Melissa) Anderson; great grandchildren Danielle, Malea and Anderson James (AJ) Mikeworth; Sydney and Sam Anderson; Amanda, Christopher, Joshua, and Nick Kussman; Caleb, Jacob and Lucas Kussman; Alyssa and Bailey Kussman; Jackson and Spencer Kussman; and Hailey and Paige Anderson; great-great grandchildren Cecilia, Cheyanne, Gabrielle, Andrew,

Jr., and Emma Sandquist. Additional survivors include her sister, Aletha Workman Alstott of Sun Lakes, AZ; sister-in-law Elene Alstott, Laurens, IA; many other family members and a host of friends.

Verla was preceded in death by her parents, Verl A. and Katie B. Alstott; husband, Chester C. Anderson on October 14, 1992; brothers Francis Alstott and Kenyon Alstott and his wife Beulah; and sister Miriam Samsel and her husband Jim, all of Laurens, Iowa.

Cemetery Details

Storm Lake Cemetery

Storm Lake, IA 50588

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 27. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - Storm Lake
1615 W Milwaukee Ave,
Storm Lake, IA 50588
(712) 732-1911
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Service

FEB 28. 1:00 PM (CT)

United Methodist Church -- Storm Lake
211 East 3rd Street
Storm Lake, IA 50588

Interment

FEB 28 (CT)

Storm Lake Cemetery
Storm Lake, IA 50588

Tribute Wall

LC

“ Verla always held a special place in my heart. As the mother of twins, she had me present my doll program at one of her meetings. She drove to my house, picked me and my dolls up, drove to Albert City and brought me back home later that evening. That was above and beyond! My condolences to all the family. Lois Crouch

Lois Crouch - February 28, 2015 at 06:56 AM

FH

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - February 27, 2015 at 04:41 PM

LS

“ Lynn Snyder lit a candle in memory of Verla A. Anderson



Lynn Snyder - February 27, 2015 at 02:47 PM

SY

“ It was a treasure to have known Verla, through the Church, those years we were in Storm Lake. We send our Sympathy for your loss, and our Joy that you had her for so many years!
Dwight & Susan Jo Young

Susan Jo Young - February 25, 2015 at 07:29 PM

CS

“ Aunt Verla's legacy includes detail and beautiful surroundings. She could make a beautiful ornament from some silly plastic beads and make her home look like a palace. We will all remember her attention to detail and love for her family. May the arms of our Father in heaven embrace her forever. Coni Samsel

Coni Samsel - February 25, 2015 at 03:01 PM

JK

“ Jill Kussman lit a candle in memory of Verla A. Anderson



Jill Kussman - February 25, 2015 at 10:09 AM

BM

“ To the Sons, Daughters-in-Law, and Grandchildren of Verla-- As one walks through this life many people cross your path. Verla was one of the nicest, kindest, and most talented people that I've ever met. She was the consummate wife and mother. I so admired how she and Chester were a team. What a long life she was given. I know that it was a life well-lived. Since the miles have separated us, I've thought of your family often. When I moved, I believe Craig was in Omaha, Carroll (sp. of names may be erroneous--teaching too many students w/ unique spellings to blame) , and Roger. Roger, I remember the joyous times you and my dad spent together. It's interesting the things in life one remembers. I remember vividly seeing you and Judy at Chester's wake. When I was leaving I still remember our last hug so special among friends. May God grant you peace as you say goodbye to this great lady, mother, grandmother, and friend. May Verla RIP.

Love,
Bonnie Mester

Bonnie Mester - February 23, 2015 at 09:03 PM