

Marge Thornton

August 10, 1930 - March 3, 2018

Marge Thornton
Hiawatha formerly of Jefferson
Date of Death: March 3, 2018

Mary Margery Thornton, age 87, died peacefully on March 3, 2018 at Mercy Hospice House in Cedar Rapids, Iowa surrounded by her family.

Mary M Thornton, always known as Marge, was born August 10, 1930 in Ralston, Iowa to Mary Elizabeth Hennen Wilkins and Charles Winfield Wilkins.

Marge served customers part-time at United Foods and then full-time for 30 years at Brenton Bank. After retiring, she worked many other part-time jobs until the age of 80. She really enjoyed card games, bowling, dancing, watching basketball, and her family. Children, grandchildren and great grandchildren were her favorite part of life.

In 1949 she married Wayne R. Thornton. They were the parents of two daughters, Carolyn Barnes (Bob) of Cedar Rapids, Iowa and Judy Shell (Brian) of Urbandale, Iowa.

Marge is survived by her daughters, Carolyn and Judy, six grandchildren Stacy Pohlman, Marion, Iowa; Laura Berg (William) of Parker, Colorado; Ryan Nelson (Jo) of Smyrna, Georgia; Gwen Shell of Santa Monica, California; Katie Shell Dewey (Greg) of Urbandale, Iowa and Dan Shell (Jen) of Clive, Iowa, 10 great grandchildren as well as nieces and nephews and a multitude of friends.

Marge was preceded in death by her parents, Mary and Charles, her ex-husband Wayne, 2 brothers, Harry Wilkins and Rusty Wilkins, and 3 sisters, Helen Silbaugh, Mildred Sexton, and Louise Reichow.

A special thanks to Mikeala at Promise House Memory Care and all those who blessed her life throughout the years. She will be greatly missed.

In lieu of flowers, the family will be donating memorials to Dementia Society of America.

Funeral Services will be 11:00 am Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at Slininger-Schroeder Funeral Home in Jefferson. The family will greet friends at Slininger-Schroeder Funeral Home on Tuesday from 10:00 am until the time of the service. Interment will be at Jefferson Cemetery, Jefferson, IA.

Cemetery

Jefferson Cemetery 1019 East Lincoln Way Jefferson, IA,

Comments



We are so sorry to hear of Marge's passing. She was one of the sweetest people i have ever known. How lucky you were to have her as your mom. We will treasure our memories of her always. Your Cousin, Ron &Dee Silbaugh

Ron and Dee Silbaugh - March 09, 2018 at 09:19 AM



Our many thoughts and prayers of sympathy to all Aunt Marge's family. Maybe you find peace in the memories you hold close at heart of this beautiful lady. I remember having supper with her many times when I lived the Grandma Helen Silbaugh--such great memories I hold of her close at heart. Hugs to all of you...



Becky (Wiederin) & Duane Sloth - March 06, 2018 at 01:05 PM



Marge touched so many hearts. I have wonderful memories of all the time we spent together at work and outside of work. She was a wonderful friend and teacher, she is forever in my heart. My sympathies to her family. Deborah and Jim Nelson

Deborah Nelson - March 06, 2018 at 07:12 AM



To the daughters and families of Marge Thornton you have our sympathy from Marges cousin Romayne & Marlene Moorman we were coming down but we live in Owatonna,Mn. and we are having a blizzard sorry we can not make it.Marge will be missed I remember the Sundays and the birthday parties when we were young, the last time we saw each other was a year ago at Mary Jos 90th birthday.Love and rest with our memorys.

Romayne Moorman - March 05, 2018 at 08:32 PM



66 Dear Carolyn and Judy,

So sorry to hear of your mother's passing. I remember her as a sweet lady who was always smiling.

Sincerely,

Ellen Perry Crayne

Ellen Crayne - March 05, 2018 at 05:10 PM



66 Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Marge Thornton.



March 05, 2018 at 02:46 PM



Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Marge Thornton.



March 05, 2018 at 01:38 PM



Marge was a VERY DEAR friend! She trained me as a drive up Teller back in the day! I remember many good times in and out of the bank with Marge! Bowling, dancing, eating out, and playing cards.... It sounds as if her life had taken a downward turn. I had no idea. Just know many people enjoyed your Mom and she will be missed by many. We will be thinking of you in the days ahead. Many blessings to you and your families!

Dennis Murphy and Terry Whiteley Murphy

Terry Whiteley Murphy - March 05, 2018 at 12:41 PM



66 Children's Weekday Ministries Staff and Myrna purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Marge Thornton.



Children's Weekday Ministries Staff and Myrna - March 05, 2018 at 11:57 AM



66 Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marge Thornton.



March 04, 2018 at 04:09 PM



66 So sorry to hear of your Mother's passing. Great lady. I always enjoyed visiting with her.

Sue Thornton - March 04, 2018 at 03:03 PM





Denny And Janet Wilkins & Family lit a candle in memory of Marge Thornton



Denny and Janet Wilkins & Family - March 03, 2018 at 10:35 PM