



Mary E. Swenson

March 08, 1923 - March 18, 2023

Mary E. Swenson, age 100, died on Saturday, March 18, 2023, at MercyOne North Iowa Hospice in Mason City, Iowa.

A funeral service will be held at 2:00 PM on Friday, March 24, 2023 at Salem Lutheran Church, 401 S. Lake St. in Lake Mills, with Pastor Joel Guttormson officiating.

Burial will be in Salem Memorial Cemetery, rural Lake Mills.

Visitation for Mary will be one hour prior to the service at the church on Friday.

In lieu of flowers, donations are preferred to MercyOne North Iowa Hospice, 232 2nd St. SE Mason City, IA 50401.

Mary Elizabeth (Ash) Swenson was born on March 8, 1923 in Grundy Center, Iowa to parents John and Margaret (Blackford) Ash. She was baptized and confirmed at the Center Evangelical Lutheran Church, rural Lake Mills. Mary attended country school and was later employed as a hired girl for local farmers, helping with cleaning, cooking and other chores on the farm. She also worked at Fleetguard for many years.

Eventually, Mary moved in with her sister, in rural Lake Mills. In May of 1940, she was married to Charles Olson in the Scarville Synod Lutheran Church parsonage, and in later years, this relationship ended in divorce.

Mary met Wallace "Wally" Swenson, and they were united in marriage in March of 1967 at West Bend, Iowa. They made their Lake Mills their home, where Mary has remained ever since.

Some of Mary's hobbies include sewing, crocheting, reading, gardening, bowling, and she loved lutefisk. Mary was active in the Lake Mills Senior Center where she was a very competitive card player and would enjoy visiting with her friends. She had been a member at Salem Lutheran Church since the 1960's where she took part in church circle, and she had been a member of the Synod Lutheran Church ladies aid.

Mary is survived by her daughter Dorothy Scholl of Lake Mills; step-daughter Marti (Darwin) Lee of Lake Mills; step-son James Seifert of Pueblo, CO; eleven grandchildren: Chuck, Kim, Tim, Keith, Kevin, James, Ryan, Jessica, Mandi, Lindsey and Paul; many great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren; sister-in-law Marlys Swenson of Rake, IA, and countless extended relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband Wally; son Gerald; and 17 siblings.

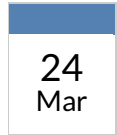
Cemetery



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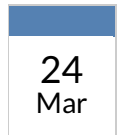
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Events



VISITATION
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Salem Lutheran
Church 401 South
Lake Street, Lake Mills,
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FUNERAL SERVICE
2:00 PM

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Tribute Wall



A Memorial Tree was planted for Mary E. Swenson

We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Mittelstadt Funeral Home
