



Eunice D. Helmke

March 11, 1933 - December 16, 2019

Eunice Helmke, 86, of Iowa Falls, passed away Monday, December 16, 2019 at Franklin Country View in Hampton. Memorial services will be 11:00 AM on Saturday, December 21, 2019 at the Bethany Lutheran Church in Iowa Falls. She will be laid to rest with a private family graveside inurnment at the Lindenwood Cemetery, Geneva. Visitation will be from 10:00 AM until service time on Saturday at the church. Woodley Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Iowa Falls is caring for Eunice and her family.

Eunice Dorthea Helmke was born March 11, 1933 to Robert and Marie (Siems) Voy, in Franklin County, Iowa. During her school years, Eunice was selected to the National 4H Congress and made the try outs to go to Chicago, Illinois. She was chosen to be on the All County Girls Basketball team and lettered five of the six years she played. She graduated valedictorian class of 1951. After graduation, she attended Hamilton Business School in Mason City, Iowa. She was employed as office assistant in the Franklin County Farm Service office and Farm Bureau Farm Services. She married Gerald "Peewee" Helmke on January 13, 1952 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Hampton, Iowa. To this union two sons, David and Steve were born. After living in the Geneva, Iowa area the family moved to Hampton, Iowa where Peewee was employed. Eunice then started working at Franklin General Hospital in the business office until 1976 when they moved to Iowa Falls, Iowa. She then started working at the Heritage Center as office assistant to

the administrators.

Eunice enjoyed watching her grandsons and great-grandchildren participating in their school activities. Much of her time was spent in Clear Lake boating and enjoying family and friends.

Eunice Helmke is survived by her sons, David (Susan) Helmke of Hampton, Iowa and Steve (Mary) Helmke of Belmond, Iowa; grandsons, Jordan Helmke of Hampton, Iowa, Josh (Shanna) Helmke of Cedar Rapids, Iowa and Colin (Angela) Helmke of Hampton, Iowa; great-grandchildren: Kyle, Carson, Hayden, Bentley, Cooper and Ellie. She was preceded in death by her husband, Gerald "Peewee" Helmke and her parents, Robert and Marie Voy.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 21. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Bethany Lutheran Church
2712 Washington Avenue
Iowa Falls, IA 50126

Service

DEC 21. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

BM

“ I can't put into words how much I will miss my cousin. She was the oldest of the three granddaughters born at our grandfathers home in Geneva and as I was the 3rd I got to get the beautiful hand me down clothes. After Donna! We shared many things over the years including our visit to the franklin co fair last summer and our hot fudge sundaes at the local Dairy Queen. I'm going to miss her but know she has been reunited with the love of her life in a better place
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Bev Miller - December 19, 2019 at 12:52 PM

AK

“ I am so very sorry to hear of Eunice's death. She was a very special lady! She had a way of making everyone feel special and during our long talks in her garden I always felt blessed and happy after we talked! I will never forget her smile! Dale and I will miss our dear neighbor! Thoughts and prayers to her family.

Ann Knight - December 19, 2019 at 09:58 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Eunice D. Helmke.



December 19, 2019 at 09:52 AM

BF

“ Blessings, The Tim Harper Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Eunice D. Helmke.



Blessings, The Tim Harper Family - December 19, 2019 at 09:02 AM

CD

“ SO SORRY TO HEAR OF SUCH A GREAT LOSS IN YOUR FAMILY....MY THOUGHTS ARE WITH YOU....CHAD VAN DYKE

CHAD VAN DYKE - December 18, 2019 at 07:47 AM

TP

“ I meet Eunice when she worked at Heritage Care Center. She was a remarkable woman. I would go and have lunch with her and PeeWe and they both were so proud of their kids and grandkids. She would always ask about my family. Always helped where she could. Her family is in our thoughts and prayers .



Terry & Bruce Peyton - December 17, 2019 at 07:37 PM

DA

“ My favorite memory is when Squaw Creek flooded the Helmke home in Belair, back in early 70's. Eunice frantically tracked Dave & I down, in an out-of-town bar, while attending a “Moose & Squirrel” concert. To this day, not sure how she found us. We naturally rushed to her aid and bailed water out of the basement. We all became original members of the ‘Squaw Creek Rescue Team’. A GRAND LADY, full of Eloquence and Grace. Godspeed on your Heavenly Journey.....

David Andersen - December 17, 2019 at 07:15 PM

DF

“ Dave Andersen & Family purchased the With Deepest Sympathy Gift Basket for the family of Eunice D. Helmke.



Dave Andersen & Family - December 17, 2019 at 06:59 PM

MR

“ It's so hard to put in words what a wonderful person , neighbor and friend she has been to me and many others .With lots of talks and laughs I was very Blessed to have called her my friend. Another Angel has gotten her wings. 💙💗🙏

Marie Rameyer - December 17, 2019 at 04:10 PM

CR

“ I met Eunice at church. She always had something kind to say and always with a smile.

A kind and gentle person. I will miss her 🙏💗



Cheryl Rusley - December 17, 2019 at 03:46 PM

DK

“ I became friends with Eunice when we took the Master Gardening class together several years ago and I knew Pee Wee from working at Farmers Coop. She was such a sweet lady. My sympathy to her family.



Darla J Kalous - December 17, 2019 at 03:30 PM