



## Jessie Marie Folkerts

December 23, 1937 - March 14, 2023

Jessie Marie Folkerts, 85, of Allison, Iowa, passed away Tuesday, March 14, 2023, at her home in Allison.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Friday, March 17, 2023, at the Allison Congregational Church in Allison, with burial in the Allison Cemetery. A visitation will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., prior to the service at the church on Friday. Counsell Woodley Funeral Home of Allison is caring for Jessie and her family.

Jessie was born on December 23, 1937, to George and Grace (Seehusen) DeWitt. They lived south of Allison where she started school. Her family moved to a farm north of Allison where she attended country school until the 8th grade. Jessie then attended Allison High School and graduated in 1956.

Jessie worked for Shepherd & Shepherd Law Firm in Allison and for Lutheran Mutual in Waverly. On September 15, 1957, she was united in marriage to George Lee Folkerts. To this union four children were born, Barbara, Robert, Joyce and Judy. Merja was welcomed into their family as an exchange student from Finland in 1978-79.

Jessie was active on the family farm while raising their children. She milked cows, gardened and worked in the fields before attending Business Institute of

Technology and then worked for Butler County Abstract for several years before retiring.

Jessie was a 4-H leader and Sunday School Teacher. She liked to travel and visited many foreign countries, including Germany where there are still many relatives, and traveled to Australia to visit friends. Jessie loved animals and enjoyed genealogy, her Ostfriesen German Club, helping out her family by cooking, just keeping an eye on the farm, and most of all spending time with her grandkids and great-grandkids.

Jessie is survived by her children, Barbara Sullivan, Robert (Shelley) Folkerts, Joyce (Bill) Dolan, Judy (Larry) Kjellsen, and Merja Tammi, brother, George (Sarah) DeWitt, sister-in-law, Marianne Folkerts, twelve grandchildren, twelve great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, brother-in-law Max Folkerts, and son-in-law Tim Sullivan.

# Cemetery Details

## Allison Cemetery

IA-14  
Allison, IA 50602

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 17. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

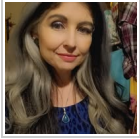
Allison Congregational Church  
508 N Main Street  
Allison, IA 50602

## Service

MAR 17. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Allison, IA 50602

# Tribute Wall



“ *My deepest condolences go out to the Folkerts family. Moms are special people, especially ones like yours. From the day I first met her, she had accepted and included us from holidays to the annual family reunion. I hope happier memories will help you through this difficult time.*



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**Sharame Lasorella** - March 17, 2023 at 05:32 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jessie Marie Folkerts.*



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March 16, 2023 at 05:28 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jessie Marie Folkerts.*



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March 16, 2023 at 11:17 AM

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“ Love, Merja purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Jessie Marie Folkerts.



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Love, Merja - March 16, 2023 at 08:34 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Jessie Marie Folkerts.



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March 16, 2023 at 12:05 AM

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“ I will never forget Jessie’s generosity while attending Business Institute of Technology. She always opened her door to allow me to work on computer programs since I didn’t have access to a computer outside of school. Such a kind person who will be greatly missed.

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Dale Christians - March 15, 2023 at 11:14 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jessie Marie Folkerts.



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March 15, 2023 at 10:00 PM

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“ *Jessie was such a warm, caring person. She always made us feel so happy to be with her. She helped us learn about the Seehusen - DeWitt family geneology. We'll miss her. Joe and Cindy Seehusen*

Cindy Seehusen - March 15, 2023 at 06:47 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Jessie Marie Folkerts.*



March 15, 2023 at 05:48 PM

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“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Shelly Eisenhauer - March 15, 2023 at 04:26 PM

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“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Shelly Eisenhauer - March 15, 2023 at 01:59 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Jessie Marie Folkerts.



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March 15, 2023 at 01:53 PM