

Ellen Woltmann, 74 ✓

March 14, 1936 - Nov. 25, 2010

AVOCA — Ellen Bertine Woltmann, daughter of William and Ruth (Silver) Livengood, was born on March 14, 1936, in Council Bluffs. She attended school in Macedonia and graduated from Macedonia High School in 1953. During high school, Ellen worked for restaurants in Macedonia and Omaha. After graduating from high school, she worked for Woodman of the World Securities Acceptance. Ellen then worked for several trucking companies including the Hilt Truck Line, Momsen, Best Refrigeration, Henry G. Nelsen and Double S Trucking.

Ellen married Robert Knauss in 1954. Two children were born to this union: Robert and Cheri.

June 19, 1976, Ellen married Norman Woltmann. She and Norman worked together their entire life. They drove a semi truck for seven years and in 1984 started the Heritage Inn Restaurant in Avoca, operating it for seventeen and a half years until they retired in October 2000. Since retirement, Norman and Ellen enjoyed spending their summers in Avoca and their winters in Sun City, AZ. Ellen had an extensive collection of dolls, plates and cups and saucers. Ellen belonged to the American Legion Auxiliary for twenty-nine years. She worked hard her entire life and enjoyed being around people. Norm and Ellen loved to dance and went to several Polka Festivals in Nebraska and Arizona. Ellen died on November 25, 2010, at the Oakland Manor in Oakland having attained the age of seventy-four years, eight months and eleven days.

In addition to her parents, Ellen was preceded by death by her brother, Gary. Ellen is survived by her husband, Norman Woltmann of Avoca; her children: Cheri and her husband Dennis Hoffmann of Avoca and Robert Knauss of Panama City Beach, FL; seven grandchildren; thirteen great grandchildren, with two more on the way; her brothers: Bill Livengood and his wife Beverly of Lincoln, NE and Sherman Livengood and his wife Ruby of Council Bluffs; nieces and nephews; other relatives and many friends.

Pastor Dennis Reich officiated the 10:00 a.m. funeral service at Pauley Jones Funeral Home in Avoca on Tuesday, November 30, 2010. Interment was held in Graceland Cemetery in Avoca. Honorary casket bearers were Sarah Casey, Aaron Pattee, Nolan Pattee, Melissa Christian, Mike Lea-Scandrett, Dennis Lea-Scandrett, and Gabe Lea-Scandrett. Serving as casket bearers were Mark Paulsen, Marty Schuemann, Marlin Andersen, Dean Schueman, Charlie Allen, Don Nelsen, and Jerry Stamp



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