



Elaine D. Stromberg

June 24, 1922 - September 15, 2015

Elaine D. Stromberg, 93, of Columbus, formerly of Polk, died on Tuesday, September 15, 2015 at Golden Living Center in Columbus. Funeral services will be on Saturday, September 19th at 10:00 a.m. at the United Methodist Church in Polk with Pastor Daniel Spearow officiating. Visitation will be on Friday, September 18th from 5-7 p.m. at the Solt-Wagner Funeral Home in Polk. Burial will be in Polk Cemetery. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.soltwagnerfuneral.com.

Elaine Dorothy Amelia Petersen was born on June 24, 1922 to Fred and Ella (Petersen) Petersen on the family farm near Arthur, Iowa. Elaine grew up on the farm near Arthur, and graduated from Arthur High School in 1940. Following graduation she began working for Rexall drug store. One of the stops was in Polk, Nebraska where she met Rolland "8-ball" Stromberg in 1952. Shortly after that Rolland Stromberg and Elaine Petersen were united in marriage on April 20, 1952 in Schleswig, Iowa. They made their life in Polk, where Elaine ran a beauty shop out of her home on their family farm outside of Polk. She worked for Blue Valley Community Action as a Family Service Coordinator, where she helped serve people in need in Polk and Butler Counties. She worked there for over 20 years. Elaine remained on the farm even after the death of Rolland on March 17, 1993. She enjoyed spending time with her family and friends, especially at Bucktail Lake. She was an avid reader, and was always willing to help others. Every Sunday she would love to

listen to Polka music.

Elaine was a member of the United Methodist Church in Polk, as well as the United Methodist Women, the American Legion Auxiliary in Polk, the VFW of Clarks, Region 5 board of directors, and was also a member of the Democratic Committee.

Elaine is survived by her children - David and Carol Stromberg of Polk and Jo Ella Stromberg of Columbus; four grandchildren - Brian and Lindsay Chessmore of Neola, IA; Aaron Chessmore of Virginia; Haley and Jake Blackburn of Polk; and Lacey Stromberg of Polk; and four great-grandchildren; Athan, Aletha, Jayda, and Bayley Chessmore; two sisters-in-law - Betty Petersen of Battle Creek, IA and Ramona Stromberg of Lincoln; and one brother-in-law - Irwin Bucholz of CA.

Elaine was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; one brother - Vernus Petersen; one sister - Lorene Jessen; and an infant brother - Lauren Petersen.

Cemetery Details

Polk Cemetery

polk, NE

Tribute Wall

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“ Aunt Elaine shared her robust love of life with our family all the way out in Arizona - Yes, her love spanned miles.

She was Mom, Murlene's favorite Aunt, who dotted her beauty magic on her as a teenager. She was also a good example to mom of a career minded woman.

Aunt Elaine, Uncle Rolland, Jo-Ella and David were our loved ones in Nebraska and it meant the world to us in Arizona to know our family thrived back home where mom came from.

Elaine's love lives on in the the many hearts and lives she touched. The world is a better place from Elaine's zest, humor and love.

*Love,
Camella Riccitelli Mumm
Murlene Jessen Riccitelli's daughter*

camella mumm - September 23, 2015 at 03:09 PM

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“ We have great memories of Aunt Elaine, like when the Riccitelli Family visited the farm & when she came for our parents 50th wedding anniversary. We will miss you our prayers are with all the family and friends love the a Fries, Riccitelli, Mumm families.

Mary - September 19, 2015 at 11:05 AM

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“ Sorry for your loss, Elaine was a sweet lady and will be missed by many. Prayers for comfort during this difficult time. Elaine would always ask about my son when ever we ran into each other. She would ask "how is my friend, little Willie". They struck up a friendship over 20 years ago. Hang on to those precious memories you have of her.

Karen Dotson - September 19, 2015 at 12:05 AM