



Nina Ann Pickrel

April 19, 1931 - October 23, 2014

Nina Ann (Wagner) Pickrel, 83, of Central City, NE, passed on Thursday, October 23, 2014, at Saint Francis Medical Center in Grand Island. Funeral services will be Tuesday, October 28, 2014 at 10:30 A.M. at United Methodist Church in Central City with Reverends Tim Johnson and Tess Hufford officiating. Burial will be in the Central City Cemetery. Visitation will be Monday, October 27, from 5-8 P.M. at Wagner Funeral Home in Central City. Nina was born on April 19, 1931 in Central City to Clause Harry and Anna B. (Holz) Wagner. She grew up in the Central City, Archer area. She graduated from Central City High School in 1948 and continued her education at Central Nebraska College.

She was united in marriage to William B. "Bill" Pickrel on June 10, 1951 in Archer. The couple lived near Clarks on a farm, and then moved into Clarks in 1955. She stayed busy being a homemaker and raising her family. Nina moved to Central City in 2009.

Nina was a member of the United Methodist Church in Clarks for 58 years. She was a member of the Clarks School Board and served as treasurer, and the Town and Country Craft Club in Clarks. She was also head of the Cemetery Board. She called square dancing, and also drove the handicap children to Grand Island. She was always active in the school, community, and anything her family was involved in.

Survivors include her five sons and daughters-in-law, Don (Darlene) Pickrel of Columbus, NE; Alan (Deb) Pickrel of Columbus, NE; Scott Pickrel of Clarks,

NE; Tom (Lynn) Pickrel of Urbandale, IA; and Larry (Deb) Pickrel of Lincoln, NE, three daughters and sons-in-law, Karen Schank of Central City, NE; Jeanne (Jeff) Fritz of Santa Clarita, CA; and Marcy (Norman) Starks of Omaha, NE, twenty-two grandchildren, nineteen great-grandchildren, one sister, Alice Butt of Central City, NE, and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Nina was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Bill Pickrel, sisters, Fern Ward, Lois Kirschner and grandsons, Jared Sprenger, and Andrew Pickrel.

Memorials are suggested to American Cancer Society and condolences may be sent to the family at the funeral home website, www.wagnerfuneral.com.

Music:

“Let Her Fly” and “Amazing Grace”

Pallbearers:

Aaron Pickrel, Steven Pickrel, Jeff Pickrel, Brent Pickrel, Bradley Schank, Jacob Sprenger, Samuel Pickrel, Lee Pickrel, M. Vincent Miller.

Honorary Pallbearers:

The Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren

Cemetery Details

Central City Cemetery

Central City, NE 68826

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **27**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Solt-Wagner Funeral Home
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Funeral Service

OCT **28**. 10:30 AM (CT)

United Methodist Church, Central City

Tribute Wall

KK

“ We knew the Pickrel family and loved Alice Butt and her family---
Alice and her children
made popcorn balls one Christmas for our little family when we lived
at the Bond
Ranch and brought them to the door for us!!!!Alice is a grand lady
and this is her
wonderful sister who died. Love, Allen and Kathy King

Kathy King - November 06, 2014 at 08:44 AM

SU

“ We will always remember Nina as a very close friend of Mom and
Grandma Jane, she (Nina) was always a good help and company
for Grandma. We will miss her very much and Gob bless to her
family.

Susan, Augie, Sue-Anne, Andrea, Andrew & Anthony Valenzuela

Sue-Anne - October 28, 2014 at 09:29 AM

JP

“ Heartfelt condolences from the Pickrels here in San Diego, CA.
We left a farm in York, Nebraska to come here in 1956.

God's love and grace for you all.

Joe Pickrel - October 27, 2014 at 06:32 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of *Nina Ann Pickrel*.



October 27, 2014 at 05:32 PM



“ I will always remember Nina for her beautiful smile and friendly caring nature. I spent many times at the Pickrel house as the ladies hung out for "club". Thoughts and prayers from our family to all of yours. *Joey Brazee and the Brazee family*.

Joey Brazee - October 27, 2014 at 11:24 AM



“ Gateway Community Church purchased the *Heavenly Heights Bouquet* for the family of *Nina Ann Pickrel*.



Gateway Community Church - October 27, 2014 at 06:12 AM



“ *Heartwarming Thoughts Boston Fern* was purchased for the family of *Nina Ann Pickrel*.



October 27, 2014 at 12:45 AM

DW

“ *Our deepest sympathy, our prayers. Are with your family.. Don Joyce Williams*

Don. Joyce Williams - October 26, 2014 at 07:26 PM

JV

“ *Dear ones, I can't imagine what a void it is to not hear Nina laugh and talk again, but I know she will always be with you. What an amazing mother she was. You know, I tried to talk her into babysitting for me because I wanted my son to be as smart and creative as you kids were. She was able to see past the world's trappings to see what was truly important. She was a role model for me and everyone who had the privilege to know her. I loved your mom, and I love you.*

Your mom came to visit me twice in Columbus after I retired from teaching. I'm glad I had the chance to tell her how much I admired her.

I won't be able to come to see you, but I'll be there in my heart. Love and hugs to all of you!

Jae Lynn Vyhldal.

jae Lynn Vyhldal - October 26, 2014 at 10:48 AM

JU

“ *Nina would save a pretty picture from a card, magazine, or ad that she liked or that brought someone in particular to mind and she would take the time to write a supporting note or funny phrase to that person and throw it in the mail. She always thought of and put others first. She was a special lady and will be greatly missed.*
Judy Kirschner

Judy - October 26, 2014 at 09:14 AM

CA

“ We send our thoughts and prayers to the Pickrel family. Joel and Cindi Anderson

Cindi Anderson - October 26, 2014 at 09:12 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Nina Ann Pickrel.



October 25, 2014 at 10:09 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nina Ann Pickrel.



October 24, 2014 at 05:44 PM