



Clara "Clare" Kimmel

March 25, 1925 - March 3, 2016

Clara Louise Hagedon Kimmel (Clare) was born March 25, 1925, in Rock Rapids, Iowa, daughter of Albert and Anna (Johnson) Hagedon. She grew up and attended school in Rock Rapids, graduating from Rock Rapids High School in 1943. Clare was employed as a dental assistant in the office of Dr. G.M. Fish for five years.

On October 24, 1948, she was united in marriage to Richard Lee Kimmel at the Methodist Church in Rock Rapids. She and her husband lived for many years on the Kimmel family farm near Sheldon, Iowa. They became the parents of two daughters, Carla and Debra.

Growing up, Clare was a member of the Methodist Church in Rock Rapids. After her marriage, she joined the Church of the Brethren in Sheldon, where she was a deaconist, Bible and Sunday School teacher, and active in the Ladies Aid. More recently, she became a member of the Methodist Church in Spirit Lake, Iowa.

Clare attended Iowa Lakes Community College with emphasis in the health care field. After their move to the Lakes area in 1977, she worked as a volunteer in the nursing home and care center. Previously, she had worked as a Sioux County field assessor for several years. She also worked as an insurance secretary, filing health insurance claims for her husband's

companies.

Clare's interest was collecting Shirley Temple porcelain dolls, dressed in their authentic costumes that were portrayed in the movies. She also had Shirley Temple plates and mugs, which she displayed in her home.

Clare especially enjoyed her family and grandchildren, in addition to helping friends and neighbors. She was a great cook, and many have fond memories of being welcomed and entertained in the Kimmel home.

Clare leaves to cherish her memory her husband Richard (Dick) of Arnolds Park, and her two daughters, Carla and her husband Brent Anderson of Newport Beach, California, and Deb and her husband Mark Bertsch of Mason City, Iowa, and also, three grandchildren - Carrie of Runnells, Iowa, Matthew of Des Moines, Iowa, and Joshua of Newport Beach, California. She was blessed with one great-granddaughter, Addison Clare who was named in her honor.

Preceding her in death were her parents, four brothers -- Albert, Alfred, and Ralph Hagedon of Rock Rapids, Iowa, and Duane Hagedon of Sioux City, Iowa, three sisters -- Katherine (Kay) Abbott of Sioux City, Iowa, and Marjorie and Annabelle Kahl of Rock Rapids, Iowa, as well as twin sisters who died in infancy, and her lifetime friend Joyce Blinsom Thiesse of Springdale, Arkansas.

A private funeral service for 90 year old Clara "Clare" Kimmel of Arnolds Park, will be held Tuesday, March 8, 2016, at the Schuchert-Lentz Funeral Home in Spirit Lake. Visitation for family and friends will be held Monday, March 7, 2016, from 5:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M. at the Schuchert-Lentz Funeral Home. Burial will be at East Lawn Cemetery in Sheldon.

The Schuchert-Lentz Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

JB

“ My parents Jack & Maxine Peed loved Clare and Dick. My husband Allan and I made a road trip to Iowa in 2013. We had a wonderful visit with them. We made time to have lunch at the lake. We will always remember that lunch with them. You are in our prayers.
Jacqueline & Allan Barr

Jacqueline (Peed) Barr - March 07, 2016 at 06:40 PM

CF

“ Clara "Clare" Kimmel

Connie (Hagedon) Fox - March 06, 2016 at 09:28 PM

GK

“ We are sorry to hear about Clara's death. Our prayers go out to you and your family.

Gus and Elodis Kopsas - March 06, 2016 at 08:19 PM

CS

“ Clara "Clare" Kimmel

Chad Schuchert - March 06, 2016 at 03:09 PM

TB

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Tina Bugay - March 06, 2016 at 12:23 PM

RK

“ You have my sympathy Dick. Sorry but have to work both days.

Randy Kahl - March 06, 2016 at 10:11 AM

BF

“ Prayers to Dick and the rest of your family. May Clara rest in eternal peace.

Billi Feller - March 04, 2016 at 05:08 PM