



Jean Elizabeth Leuthauser

June 5, 1922 - May 25, 2017

Jean Elizabeth Leuthauser, 94, of Lake Mills, IA formerly of Spirit Lake passed away on Thursday, May 25, 2017 at the Lake Mills Care Center in Lake Mills, IA.

A memorial service will be at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 30, 2017 at the Schuchert-Lentz Funeral Home in Spirit Lake. Private family burial of her cremains will be at in the West Homan Township Cemetery in Sibley. The Schuchert-Lentz Funeral Home in Spirit Lake is in charge of arrangements.

Jean was born on June 5, 1922 in Sheldon, IA to Rudolph and Marguerite (Kemper) Yappen. She graduated from Sibley High School and attended Iowa State University majoring in Home Economics. She was united in marriage to Robert Nelson. To that union three children were born. She was later united in marriage to Alvin Leuthauser on June 27, 1997 in Omaha. He preceded her in death in 2002.

Jean was a homemaker the majority of life dedicating her time to rising her three children. When her children were grown, and gone, she continued her mothering skills as a House Mom at the University of Santa Barbara and the University of Nebraska in Lincoln.

She was a member the PEO in Spirit Lake and was very active in the

Methodist Church in Sibley. Jean enjoyed playing bridge, sewing, baking and being outdoors. In her free time, she looked forward to spending time at West Okoboji.

Jean is survived by her daughter Deborah (Lindsay) Eckerman of Forest City, IA; son Dr. William (Diane) Nelson of Denver, CO; seven grandchildren and fifteen great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, both husbands, and her son Dr. Stephen Nelson.

Tribute Wall

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“ She was a pleasure to get to know! She will always have a place in my heart! Thank you for allowing me to care for Jean! She will be greatly missed! -April Beighley

April Beighley - May 29, 2017 at 04:15 PM

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“ Jean brought immeasurable joy to my life. As a mother-in-law she was the best! We had many wonderful times with her sharing her love of entertaining, travel, the lake life, rhubarb patches, Templer Park chocolate cake, fudge, fried lake fish, The Queen and too many more to list. May this lovely lady rest in peace.

Westy Nelson - May 27, 2017 at 08:31 PM

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“ I got to know Jean when she was at the Lake Mills Care Center. What a sweet lady, I'm glad I got to know her. May she rest in peace.



Linda Severson - May 27, 2017 at 02:24 PM

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“ Jean and I were next door neighbors in Sibley for many years. She was the best cook, best neighbor and for sure the best friend. Some years later we were neighbors again here in the Lakes Region.. We've shared many good times. So many memories...

Marge Husen - May 26, 2017 at 04:54 PM

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“ *Jean was one-of-a-kind! I am so glad I had the opportunity to know her.* ”



Laura Hanna - May 25, 2017 at 12:53 PM