



Ruth Pelzer

September 22, 1929 - March 19, 2022

Ruth Pelzer, 92, of Ruthven, formerly of Estherville, passed away on Saturday March 19, 2022, at the Ruthven Community Care Center in Ruthven.

A celebration of life service will be held at a later date.

Ruth Pelzer was born September 22, 1929, in a farmhouse near Walnut, Iowa to Frank and Ella (Luth) Krueger. She attended a country school and graduated from Atlantic High School. After graduation she worked for the Atlantic Telephone Company. On July 24, 1949, she was united in marriage with Richard Dean Pelzer in Atlantic. In 1955 Ruth and Richard started sharecropping an 80-acre farm. Ruth loved caring for their livestock. In 1969 the family moved to the Estherville area where they continued to farm, and she worked with Richard as a Real Estate and Insurance agent. Ruth also enjoyed her work at Forest Ridge Youth Services for many years.

Traveling to Mexico, ski trips to Colorado and fishing trips to Canada with family and friends were among her favorites. Ruth also enjoyed gardening and loved spending time with her family at the Spirit Lake cabin. Ruth was a member of Midway Country Club and an active member of the United Methodist Church in Estherville. She was also active in the local Republican Party and in 1988 ran for State Representative.

Ruth is preceded in death by her husband Richard, parents, son Brian, grandson Andrew , sister Bonnie and brothers Melvin, Robert and Frank JR. Left to cherish her memory are her sons Alan Pelzer of Maui, and David Pelzer of Spirit Lake along with 6 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

Tribute Wall

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“ *I used to play tennis with Ruth. She was always fun. My sympathy to her family and friends. May the angels come to greet her, and welcome her home. God bless and comfort you.*



Kate Shaw - March 31, 2022 at 03:00 PM