



## Ann M Denker

June 26, 1935 - September 30, 2025

Alice Ann (Merritt) Denker 6/26/1935 - 9/30/2025

Ann Merritt Denker was born in Tekamah, Nebraska, to Charles and Gertrude Merritt, and grew up on a farm near Elk City. She graduated from Valley High School and attended Midland Lutheran College. During this time, she met Gene Denker of Elkhorn, and they were married on November 26, 1955. Together they made their home in Elkhorn.

Ann taught school at District 41 for many years alongside her mother before continuing her career at Waterloo Public School, where she taught until her retirement. She cherished the lifelong friendships she made with her colleagues.

She is preceded in death by her parents Charles and Gertrude, her husband Gene, her sister Adele, her brother Delbert, and her sister Charlotte.

She is survived by her four children: Jim (Kendra), Nanci, Jane, and Beth (John); her six grandchildren: Jim (Amanda), Joe (Sally), Brooke (Matt), Jack, Tim (Sadie), and Alli (Zac); and her four great-grandchildren: James, Glenn, Vivian, and William. She is also survived by her sisters-in-law Shirley Potter Merritt and Gwen Jensen, as well as many nieces and nephews.

Ann's greatest joy in life was her family. She loved attending the many activities of her children and grandchildren and was endlessly proud of their accomplishments. Her warmth, kindness, and devotion to family and friends will be deeply missed.

A private family burial will take place at Pioneer Memorial Cemetery at a later date. Memorials may be directed to Pioneer Memorial Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## **Allen Pioneer Cemetery - Ft. Calhoun, NE**

County Roads 37 & P37  
Washington County, NE

# Tribute Wall

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“ I wanted to let the Denker family know I am sorry for the loss of your mother. I met her a few times in the past and she was a very kind person. I will be keeping all of you in my thoughts and prayers!

*Shane Bruhn*

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**shane bruhn** - October 08, 2025 at 09:40 AM

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“ Glen and Teri Shepherd Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Ann M Denker.



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**Glen and Teri Shepherd Family** - October 03, 2025 at 05:22 PM

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“ Glen and Teri Shepherd Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ann M Denker.

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**Glen and Teri Shepherd Family** - October 03, 2025 at 05:22 PM