



## Eloise Elaine Buhrman

June 1, 1925 - July 9, 2009

Eloise Elaine (Rowse) Buhrman was born June 1, 1925 in Burwell, Nebraska to Ernst and Goldie (Hodgson) Rowse. She grew up in Burwell where she attended Ballagh Country School in Garfield County, and went on to graduate at the top of her class from Burwell High School in 1943. Eloise began teaching grade school, under the Normal Training Program, in Garfield County, and later in Hall county and Douglas County (District 22 and 25). In 1944 Eloise married Richard Duane Oyster and to his union a son was born, Nickie Oyster. Richard was later killed in a car accident.

Eloise married Hubert "Flip" Buhrman on August 6, 1949 in Waterloo, Nebraska, and to this union, a daughter was born, Pamela Kay Buhrman. Eloise and Flip had lived in the Waterloo community since 1961.

Eloise was a dedicated teacher around the Waterloo community for over 30 years, and also served as the town librarian for 17 years. In addition to her teaching, Eloise was actively involved in her community and church. She was a charter member of the Waterloo United Methodist Church, served on the city planning board for 24 years, was a member of the Women's Club for 25 years, and was the chairperson for the Waterloo Days Celebration for 3 years. She was even responsible for getting the town some new Christmas decorations. For all of her many and varied efforts through the years, Eloise was honored as Outstanding Citizen of Waterloo, the year of 1990.

Family and her home were dearest to Eloise's heart. Affectionately known to her family as Nellie, and called "B" by her grandkids, she was an important

and influential person in many lives. She also had a soft spot in her heart for her little dog, Buddy.

Eloise passed away at her home in Waterloo, Nebraska on July 9, 2009 at the age of 84 years, 1 month, and 8 days. She is preceded in death by her husbands Richard Oyster and Hubert "Flip" Buhrman, parents Ernest and Goldie Rowse, and brothers Elsworth and Eldon. Eloise is survived by her son and daughter-in-law Nick and Linda Oyster of Waterloo, Nebraska, daughter Pam Weberg of Omaha, grandchildren; Thom Oyster, and fiancée' Taryn, Jeff and wife, Mandi Oyster, and Mindy and husband, Jeremy Hike, great grandchildren; Jami Oyster, Jesse Oyster, and Emma Hike, brother and sister-in-law Earl "Thomas" and Mary Ann Rowse of Burwell, Nebraska, and sister Elinor Hoffman of Aurora, New York, nephews; Mike Hoffman and Pete Hoffman, sister-in-law Lenabelle Rowse, and her sons; Tim, Todd and Tyrone Rowse.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Eloise Elaine Buhrman*

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“ *My deepest sympathy to the family in the loss of Eloise. She was my 1st grade teacher (in the late 50's)when we lived in Kings Lake and she taught school out there on the highway (can't recall the name of the school) but I never forgot her or her thoughtfulness. We didn't have a lot back in those days -she had a big heart and always did things to show she cared. She brought some hand-me-down clothes to school once and gave me some things including a black coat which I just loved. I was sad when I passed 1st grade and lost her as my teacher. She made the world a better place.*

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