



Ferne Marjorie Rockwell

February 23, 1922 - July 13, 2010

Ferne Marjorie (Austin) Rockwell was born to Tom and Dollie (Wilkenson) Austin on February 23, 1922 in Dunlap, Iowa. She attended a country school in Dunlap for her first eight years. Ferne then attended Woodbine High School, graduating in 1941. Following her graduation she lived and worked on the family farm. In 1943, she married Vern Rockwell and to this union two children were born: Marjorie and Edward.

The family farmed south of Logan, Iowa until 1960, when they moved to Elk City, Nebraska. They continued to farm in Elk City until Vern's death in 1967. The following year Ferne, Marge and Ed moved to Bennington, Nebraska. Ferne would reside in Bennington for over three decades.

In 1972, Ferne married Wilfred Neuhaus. They lived in Elkhorn until his death in 1975. Ferne worked as a waitress for many years at Off's in Bennington and Bishop's Cafeteria in Omaha. After retiring, Ferne then moved to Elkhorn, Nebraska where she lived until the last year of her life.

Ferne spent many of her days with her favorite hobbies of sewing, crocheting and crafts. She always loved to tend for her flower gardens. Another activity Ferne enjoyed participating in was bowling and she bowled in several leagues. One of her great loves in life, were the numerous pets and animals that she cared for. Ferne was a member of Zion Lutheran Church in

Bennington and was active in the women's groups at the church.

Ferne was preceded in death by her parents, her three brothers Ovid, Morris and Marvin, her two sisters Laura Pearl Storey and Erma Wilson. She is survived by her brother and sister-in-law, Harold and Midge Austin of Council Bluffs, IA; daughter and son-in-law Dennis and Marge Horner of Centennial, CO; son and daughter-in-law Ed and Connie Rockwell of Elkhorn, NE; two step-children Connie Hagen of Omaha, NE and Arlyn Neuhaus of Fremont, NE; four grandchildren Jason Horner of Wellington, FL, Daniel Horner of Highlands Ranch, CO, Katherine and Jennifer Rockwell of Elkhorn, NE; two great-grandchildren Thomas and Madelyn Horner of Wellington, FL.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ferne Marjorie Rockwell*

December 10, 2022 at 09:12 AM



“ *Margie & Eddie, I'm so sorry to hear about your Mom. I have many fond memories of spending time out on Grandpa Don's (Mactier)farm, riding horses, getting corn, checking on the farm. I'm not sure you remember me--I'm #3 of the 4 granddaughters. I ran into your Mom a few times over the years. I live in Waterloo. My thoughts & prayers are with you. Terri Coy*

Terri (Whalley) Coy - July 23, 2010 at 01:03 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of Aunt Ferns passing.... my prayers and thoughts are with family.*

Roger Schneider - Son of Helen Rockwell (Vern's sister)

Roger Schneider - Son of Helen Rockwell - July 19, 2010 at 06:35 PM



“ *Connie:
Sorry to just now read about Fern on the Reichmuth website - I remember her from being a waitress and attending her grandchild's performance with the Scarlet & Cream when my youngest daughter was playing piano for them. My sympathy and prayers to you at this time. Dee Finke Micheel - Bennington*

Dee Micheel - July 19, 2010 at 02:52 PM