



LeMara Jean Eicke

June 14, 1935 - December 8, 2024

LeMara Jean (Misfeldt) Eicke was born in Washington, Nebraska to George and Verna (Knudsen) Misfeldt on June 14, 1935. Early family memories included playing with her older brother, Daryl, and the family dog, Rusty. She remembered tough times during World War II and ration stamps.

The family moved to the 41st and Lafayette area in Omaha where her father, George, ran a streetcar for the Omaha-Council Bluffs Streetcar Company and her mother, Verna, worked at the Martin Bomber Plant. They moved back to Washington in 1945 wanting LeMara and Daryl to attend grade school at the two-room schoolhouse in town. LeMara graduated from Bennington High School. She dreamed of being a journalist and attended Midland Lutheran College in Fremont.

LeMara married Henry Arthur "Artie" Eicke at Bethany Lutheran Church in Elkhorn on November 12, 1955. To this union, four children were born: Edward, Lynn, Paula, and Mae. The family moved around before settling in Washington, NE in 1961.

Well remembered life experiences included working as a waitress, floral designer, teletype setter and for the U.S. Post Office. Early years found her involved in the Washington County Museum and Frahm House in Fort Calhoun. Later years found her involved with Washington County Recycling in

Blair as well as being active in her community of Washington. She loved being with her many friends of the Women of Washington group as well as monthly lunches with cousins.

She enjoyed crafting, making jams and jellies, working with the 4H kids, gathering family history, hosting her yearly boutique, being with family and the opportunities she had to travel and visit several foreign countries.

LeMara passed peacefully in slumber at the age of 89 on December 8, 2024 in Blair, Nebraska in the loving care and kindness of everyone at Good Shepherd Lutheran Community. She was preceded in death by her husband, Henry A. Eicke; parents, George and Verna Misfeldt; stepmother, Marjorie (Dahl-Steinert) Misfeldt; brother, Daryl Misfeldt; grandsons, Scott Eicke and Kevin Eicke. LeMara is survived by her children: Edward of Washington, NE, Lynn and Lisa Eicke of Herman, NE, Paula and Steve Schuman of N. Las Vegas, NV, and Mae and Mike Farrar of Grand Prairie, TX; 6 grandchildren; 8 great grandchildren; stepsister, Marcia (Cliff) Smith of Hays, KS, along with many nieces, nephews and extended family.

VISITATION: 5-7pm Thursday, December 12, 2024 at Reichmuth Funeral Home. FUNERAL SERVICE: 11am Friday, December 13, 2024 at Reichmuth Funeral Home. INTERMENT: Prairie View Cemetery.

Memorials will be directed as donations to several of LeMara's favorite interest.

Cemetery Details

Prairie View Cemetery

18613 Green Street
Washington, NE 68068

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 12. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Reichmuth Funeral Home - Omaha / Elkhorn
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Funeral Service

DEC 13. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of LeMara Jean Eicke.*



December 11, 2024 at 09:51 AM



“ *LeMara was my mom Connie's cousin. She was talented at everything she did. My heart goes out to her family at this difficult time. She will be missed.*

Becky Sluiter - December 10, 2024 at 01:32 PM



“ *The Dall, Preuss, and Edmunds families purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of LeMara Jean Eicke.*



The Dall, Preuss, and Edmunds families - December 10, 2024 at 10:21 AM

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“ *The Washington County Nebraska History was published in 1980, sponsored by the Washington County Historical Association, Fort Calhoun, Nebraska. In June, 2012, when my husband and I first started volunteering with FindaGrave, we were also volunteering with Washington County Recycling. I was telling some stories at recycling, and LeMara asked if we knew of Thone Cemetery. We'd not been there, but I said my husband knew of it. She said it's in this book. I said we use this red book a lot, and have over the years. LeMara was delighted that people still care about the history. "That red book was 2 whole years out of my life!"--Connie Buller*

Connie Lorraine Buller - December 10, 2024 at 09:06 AM