

Date of Birth

Jul 29, 1924

Date of Passing
Jul 09, 2017

Dorothy Vande Kieft

Dorothy Vande KieftPrairie CityAlice Dorothy Talsma was born on July 29, 1924, on the family farm near Sully Iowa. She was the first of six children born to James and Nellie Baarda Talsma. Dorothy attended Christian country school and graduated from Newton High school with the class of 1942. On Dec 19, 1945, she was united in marriage with Harold Vande Kieft at her parents' home near Colfax and to this union a daughter Joyce was born. Dorothy and Harold farmed near Prairie City Iowa before their retirement in 1990. Dorothy and Harold both loved to travel and enjoyed many fun trips together. Dorothy enjoyed working side by side with Harold on the family farm. She loved being a homemaker and mother to Joyce. Dorothy loved her grandchildren and always made time for a game of Yahtzee and scrabble when they were around. Casey's taco pizza and Goldie's ice cream were favorites during these precious visits. Dorothy was a wonderful cook and her baked goods were always delicious. Dorothy always looked forward to spending time with her special niece Pat



Callahan. They always enjoyed stopping for pie at the village inn. Dorothy cherished the times they spent together. Dorothy always had a lot of fun with her sister-in-law Annie. Going out for lunch together on Sundays after church was always a good time. Dorothy loved to bird watch, read books and work on her cross word puzzles. Dorothy was a member of the Prairie City Christian Reformed Church where over the years she was involved in many activities which included Librarian, Sunday school teacher and ladies aide. She enjoyed her church family. Following the death of her husband, Harold, on Feb 24, 1993, Dorothy left the farm and moved to Prairie City. On Sunday evening June 25, 2017, surrounded by her family she passed away peacefully at the Comfort House in Pella at the age of 92. Dorothy was a wonderful mother and grandmother and will be greatly missed by her family.Dorothy is survived by her daughter, 3 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. They are: Joyce Steadham of Wall Lake Iowa; Sara and Chris Harris of Aurora Colorado, Blake Steadham, Jessica and Tim Aschinger of Lake View Iowa, Ryan Bellcock, Reese Aschinger; Matthew and Laura Steadham of Lenexa Kansas, Jack and Jade. Of her original family Dorothy leaves a younger brother, James Talsma and his wife, Bert, of Newton; sister, Karalyn Schroeder, and her husband Duane of Colfax; sister, Jo Stursma of Pella. She was preceded in death by her husband, Harold, her parents Nellie and James Talsma, her parents-in-law, Gerrit and Sarah Vande Kieft and the following siblings and in-laws and their spouses; Bill Talsma, Eunice and Bob Davidson, Margaret and Dale De Graff, Albert and Edith Vande Kieft, Arthur Vande Kieft, and Cornie StursmaFuneral services will be held on Friday, July 7, 2017, at 11:00 a.m. at the Prairie City Christian Reformed Church. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service. Burial will be at Waveland Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to Hospice of Pella Comfort House and condolences may be left for the family at www.coburnfuneralhomes.com



Memories of Dorothy





Condolences



Guest -

Death brings sorrow and tears, and it is hard to adjust to the absence of a loved one. But what comfort and strength we gain from the assurance that our Almighty God [will actually swallow up death forever, and will certainly wipe the tears from all faces!] Isaiah 25:8, Revelation 21:3,4

