

ellie Meyer, age 94, of Sioux Rapids, Iowa passed away on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at St. Luke Lutheran Home in Spencer, Iowa. She was born on August 24, 1924 on a farm southeast of Sioux Rapids, Iowa, a farm that continued to be her home for 62 years. She was the youngest child of Olaf and

Marie Benson, both immigrants from Mosjen, Norway.

Nellie was baptized and confirmed at First Lutheran Church in Sioux Rapids. She graduated from Sioux Rapids High School in 1942. On November 30, 1942, she was united in marriage to Donald Meyer of Marathon, Iowa in a double wedding ceremony with another couple who remained lifelong friends. They were married for one month short of 60 years when Don passed away in 2002. They were blessed with four children: Nancy, Donna, Allan, and Dennis.

Nellie enjoyed being a homemaker and a mother and assisting Don with the farming operation. Never idle, she was generous with her cooking and baking, especially for work crews and for neighborhood and family gatherings. She was proud of her Norwegian heritage and continued the tradition of making lefse and krumkake for Christmas throughout her life. Her Norwegian Hardanger embroidery pieces created for her children and grandchildren are treasured

keepsakes. Nellie also made quilts, afghans, crocheted runners, and many other handmade items.

After farming for 43 years, Don and Nellie moved to a home in Sioux Rapids in 1985. They continued to own the farm which became a century farm in 2011, an important milestone for Nellie. In town, they enjoyed playing cards, especially cribbage and 500, often starting the day with a round of cribbage after breakfast. Nellie took part in card groups that played both in members' homes and at the Tuesday Dinner Date in Sioux Rapids. She was an avid reader, devouring several books a week year after year.

Those who knew Nellie know that she had a good sense of humor, strong opinions, and a spirited zest for life. She will be missed.

She is survived by her children: Nancy (Gail) Todd of Holstein, Iowa; Donna Todd of Spencer, Iowa; Allan (Sonja) Meyer of Buckeye, Arizona; and Dennis (Bev) Meyer of Minneapolis, Minnesota; her grandchildren: Kerby Todd, Kiley Todd, Kris Todd, Gina Heiter, Saree Luce, Brenda Blackford, Scott Meyer, Andrew Meyer, Lynn Meyer, Becky Sanchez, Mikayla Rettig, Adam Meyer, Daniel Meyer, and by foster grandson, Mike Ellis. She is also survived by 21 great-grandchildren, 3 foster great-grandchildren, 2 foster great-grandchildren, 10 nieces and nephews, and sister-in-law, Violet Meyer.

Nellie was preceded in death by her husband, Don; her parents; her son-in-law, Eugene "Pete" Todd; her brother, Omar and sister, Grace and their spouses; and her former daughter-in-law, Lois Meyer.

In Loving Memory



Nellie Meyer 1924 – 2019

In Memory Of Nellie Meyer

BORN

August 24, 1924 Sioux Rapids, Iowa

ENTERED INTO REST

May 21, 2019 Spencer, lowa

FUNERAL SERVICE

First Lutheran Church Sioux Rapids, Iowa May 28, 2019 — 10:30 a.m.

CLERGY

Pastor Tonna Parsons Chaplain John Syvertson

ORGANIST
Beverly Morris

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

"Amazing Grace"

SOLOIST

Rita Schau "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" "Blessed Assurance"

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Kris Todd—Gina Heiter Saree Luce—Brenda Blackford Mikayla Rettig—Becky Sanchez

PALLBEARERS

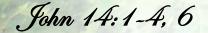
Kerby Todd—Kiley Todd Scott Meyer—Andy Meyer Lynn Meyer—Adam Meyer Daniel Meyer

INTERMENT

Lone Tree Cemetery Sioux Rapids, Iowa

Arrangements by SLIEFERT FUNERAL HOMES

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"Do not let your heart be troubled. You have faith in God: have faith also in Me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If this was not so would I have told you I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to Myself, so that where I am, you also may be. Where I am going you know the way. Jesus said. "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life, no one comes to the Father

except through Me"

V e wish to express our gratitude for the kindness evidenced in thought and deed, and for your attendance at this service. You are invited to join us for lunch and a time of fellowship at the church immediately following the burial.

- Nellie's Family