Lois Allene King Kasal, 84

Lois Allene King Kasal, 84, died Monday, May 20, 2013 at the Brooklyn Community Estate where she resided for several years. Services were held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, May 25 at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church in Tama with Pastor Tom Dowling presiding. Burial was in the Haven Cemetery, rural Tama.

Survivors include her children, Susan (Ken) Stinson of Robins, Dale (Julie) Kasal and Mark (Christina) Kasal both of Chelsea, Sara (Harold) Why of Sun Prairie, Wis., Alan Kasal of Park Forest, Ill.; sister, Blanche (Floyd) Manfull of Montour; eleven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Edwin; a sister; two brothers; and an infant son.

A memorial fund has been established.

Hrabak Funeral Home in Belle Plaine is assisting the family.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.hrabakfuneralhome.com under “obituaries”.

Lois Allene King was born in rural Grinnell, on Sept. 19, 1928 to Benjamin Arthur King and Frances Henrietta (Broders) King. She arrived early and so tiny that her grandmother, Caroline Broders, kept her alive, feeding her with an eyedropper and nestled in a shoe box on the stove for warmth. Her siblings told tales of her mischievous and adventurous spirit growing up on the farm.

She graduated from Grinnell High School and then attended cosmetology school in Des Moines before marrying Edwin D. Kasal on Sept. 19, 1948 in Grinnell. Lois had a busy life raising her five children, Susan, Dale, Mark, Sara and Alan. They have vivid memories of raising chickens and gathering eggs among many other farm chores. Her children chuckle remembering her funny sayings (“Say, don’t I know you?”) and knowing how proud she was of her grandchildren. Lois loved to babysit them prior to her stroke in 1994.

Her favorite TV show was Lawrence Welk and she would dance around the room to the music. We pray she is dancing in heaven now with all who passed before her.

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