

FORMER BROOKLYN RESIDENT

Linda Kay Estes

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Linda Kay Estes, 65, Northwood, died Thursday, Feb. 19, 2015, at the Lutheran Retirement Home in Northwood.

A celebration of her life was held Monday, Feb. 23, at the United Methodist Church, 1000 First Ave. North, Northwood, with Reverend Shirley Hoffmann Will officiating. Internment will be at a later date in the Sunset Rest Cemetery in

Northwood. Linda Kay Estes was born on June 24, 1949, in Mason City, the daughter of Drexell and Bernice (Low) Estes. Linda received her education in the Northwood-Kennett Community School, graduating in 1967. Linda also graduated from N.I.A.C.C. with an A.A. degree in Mason City, and graduated from Mankato State with a B.A. degree in Education in 1971. Linda was very devoted to her teaching profession which began at Mabel-Canton, Minn., in the fall of 1971 until 1977 when she moved to Brooklyn, Iowa teaching business at BGM High School, retiring in 2011 after 40 years in the teaching profession. Linda was one of the most giving individuals, quietly and behind

the scenes she did so much, especially for students but also for fellow teachers. Linda ordered and paid for the first retirement wooden apples for teachers, and every year she bought welcome gifts to put on their desks the first day of school for every new junior and senior high teacher. She also wrote countless recommendations for students. After her retirement, she moved back to Northwood to take care of her mother. After returning to Northwood, Linda worked for the Northwood Anchor Publishing Company.

Linda was a member of PEO and DAR.

Linda enjoyed genealogy, working on her computer, crocheting, and taking pictures, but her great love and enjoyment was spending time with her nieces, nephews, grandnieces and nephews, and with her family and friends.

Linda had a very

strong faith; she truly loved her church at the Grace United Methodist Church in Brooklyn, and Northwood-United Methodist Church, which she was a member of the Seekers Bible Study group.

Those left to cherish her memory are her mother, Bernice "Sis" Estes of Northwood; her brother, Gary Estes of Clear Lake; her sister, Connie (Andrew) Buss of Omaha, Neb.; her nieces and nephews, Wesley (Melissa) Estes of Elkhorn, Neb., Megan (Marlon) Bailey of Spring, Texas, and Allison Estes of South St. Paul, Minn.; grandnieces and nephews, Rylie, Haylie, and Sydney Estes, Caleb Schlote, Elijah Latusik, and Maxwell Bailey; as well as many other extended family members and friends.

Linda was preceded in death by her father, Drexell Estes who died on Sept. 24, 2008.