Dorothea Mae Lang

Brooklyn, Dorothea Mae Lang, age 89 of Brooklyn, died Tuesday, June 23, 2015, at the Bishop Drum Care Center in Johnston, Iowa. Funeral Mass: 10:00 A.M. Monday, June 29, 2015, St Patrick’s Catholic Church, Brooklyn with Fr. Brian Shepley officiating. Visitation: 4 to 7 P.M. Sunday, June 28, 2015, Kloster Funeral Home, Brooklyn with a Rosary at 4:00 P.M. Burial Calvary Cemetery, Brooklyn. Memorials may be contributed to the Brooklyn Activity Center or the church of donor’s choice.

Dorothea Mae Lang was born December 14, 1925, in Sheridan, Iowa, the daughter of David Uriah Anthony and Grace Cleone Mayo Anthony. She attended the rural Sheridan #2 School until 1939, and graduated from Grinnell High School in 1943. Dorothea married Lawrence A. Lang on October 1, 1945, in Jackson, MN. Besides working with her husband on the farm, Dorothea was a store manager, worked and managed the Grinnell Senior Center and was a certified nursing assistant at Brooklyn Community Estate. She was a member of St. Patrick’s Catholic Church in Brooklyn, the Altar and Rosary Guild, a former member of the Columbian Club, and the Rutirans. She was active with the Grinnell Area Daycare, the Grinnell Regional Medical Center Auxiliary, the Bear Creek Community Fund, Sonora Orange-River Road Club and the SPED Program at the Grinnell Hospital. She logged over 33 years of volunteer work and in 2014 was awarded the Governor’s Volunteer Award.

Dorothea enjoyed crocheting, and embroidering. She collected angels and roosters. She always had a big garden and did lots of canning. She also enjoyed her flowers. She considered herself an all-around farmer’s wife. Her family was important to her and she cherished the time spent with them.

Survivors include her children, David L Lang (Patricia) of Papillion, NE, Vivian G. Lane of Urbandale, Larry C. Lang (Lorna) of Alburtis, CO, W. Joseph Lang (Kathy) of Boone, and Karen J. Siebers (Bob) of Great Falls, MT; her eleven grandchildren, Brenda Witmer (Scott) of Johnston, Scott Lang (Joanie) of Channahon, IL, Sandy Flanigan of Johnston, Jeff Lang (Janice) of Omaha, Brandy Lang of Osakaloosa, Michael Lang of Deep River, and Dan Flanigan (Nan) of Colorado, Lawrence Siebers, Kenneth Siebers (Deb), and Paul Siebers (Jean) of Wisconsin, and Ritt Ann Tarnowski (John) of Montana; 30 great-grandchildren, Brittany Witmer, Jake Lang, Shelley Fechner, Chris Wimer, James Lang, Summer Fechner, MaCoy Flanigan, Josh Flanigan, Steven Lang, Troy Fechner, Ariyanna DuRoche, Rachel Lang, Talor Flanigan, Mattilda Lang, Maria Lang, Gretchen Lang, Hawkins Flanigan, Jenna Lang, Zoe Flanigan, Elisa Siebers, Jeffery Siebers, Ben Siebers, Jennifer Siebers, Rebeca Tarnowski, Andrew Siebers, Chad Siebers, Thomas Tarnowski, Stephanie Siebers, Katy Tarnowski and Kevin Tarnowski; and four great-great grandchildren, Cory James Siebers, Brock Daniel Siebers, Brett David Lee Siebers, and Kristi Jean Anderson. Also surviving are her brothers, Charles Creo-Anthony (Melinda) of Des Moines, and Richard Anthony (Kathy) of Anamosa.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Lawrence in 1999, two granddaughters Debra Flanigan and Barbara Siebers, and a sister Helen Clayton-Mayo of Grinnell.

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