



Ruth Oliverson

October 2, 1920 - February 24, 2015

Ruth M. Oliverson, 94, of Oskaloosa died Tuesday, February 24, 2015, at the Pella Hospice Comfort House in Pella. She was born October 2, 1920, at Lacey, Iowa, the daughter of Wilbur and Mary Carriker Dilley. She graduated from Lacey High School with the class of 1938. On June 2, 1947, she was united in marriage to LeRoy Oliverson at Kansas City, Missouri, and LeRoy died October 26, 1988. LeRoy was career military, thus the family moved as he would receive new assignments, and Ruth enjoyed moving all over the country. Following LeRoy's honorable discharge, the family settled back in Oskaloosa. Ruth worked as a waitress in numerous restaurants including, Woolworth's, the old Maid Rite, and the old Dairy Queen. Lastly, Ruth worked for the Oskaloosa Community School District in the Hot Lunch program, until she retired at the age of 75. Ruth enjoyed hosting and entertaining her family and friends. She loved to play Bingo, shop, and travel. She was a member of the Good News Chapel in Oskaloosa.

Her family includes her two children and their spouses, Diana and Richard Crook and Danny and Sharon Oliverson all of Oskaloosa; six grandchildren, Darren McKeag (Missy Webb), Dustin Oliverson (Stephanie Weisenbach), Sonya (& Mark) Schultz, Heather (& Joey) Crifo, Tim (& Kathy) Crook, and Tina (& Bryan) Hipsher; twelve great grandchildren: Cass McKeag, Kian McKeag, Amanda Schuring, Bryon Schuring, Seth Crook, Andy Ruiz, Dylan Ruiz, Holly (& Jess) Greenhalgh, Liam Oliverson, Parker Schultz, Ian Crifo and Addie Crifo; four great great grandchildren: Haleigh Burk, Kailyn Burk, Lexi Burk, and Chase Greenhalgh; a sister, Erma Allgood of Waukee; a sister in law, Betty Dilley of Oskaloosa; and many nieces, nephews, cousins and a host of friends.

Besides her husband, Ruth was preceded in death by her parents, and a brother Dale Dilley.

Funeral services will be held Friday, February 27, 2015 at 11 a.m. in the Bates Funeral Chapel with Pastor Alvern Boetsma officiating. Burial will be in the Forest Cemetery in Oskaloosa. The Bates Funeral Chapel is in charge of the arrangements. Visitation will begin Thursday after 11 a.m., and the family will be at the funeral chapel on Thursday

from 5 – 7 p.m. to greet friends and relatives. Memorials may be made to Hospice Comfort House, Pella.

Cemetery

Forest Cemetery

634 North 9th Street
Oskaloosa, IA, 52577

Events

FEB **Visitation** 05:00PM - 07:00PM

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Bates Funeral Chapel

114 South 7th Street, Oskaloosa, IA, US, 52577

FEB **Funeral Service** 11:00AM

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Comments



“ Nancy Kelderman lit a candle in memory of Ruth Oliverson



Nancy Kelderman - March 03, 2015 at 11:32 PM



“ Diane and Danny, so sorry to hear of the passing of your Mom. She was a sweet soul and she will be missed. I remember when you moved here, we were in junior high and your Mom got a job at Woolworths. May Gods love surround you with comfort and peace at this time.

Nancy - March 03, 2015 at 11:35 PM



“ Sorry we did not hear of your loss til after the service. Thoughts and prayers for all the family.

Terry @ Pam Johnson Mitchel



Terry @ Pam Mitchel - February 28, 2015 at 02:21 PM



“ I spent many nights talking to Ruth in her kitchen when I was a young teenager. Ruth was one of the best people I have ever known. I loved her very much. Rest in peace.

Tom Johnson - February 27, 2015 at 07:01 PM



“ Tom Johnson lit a candle in memory of Ruth Oliverson



Tom Johnson - February 27, 2015 at 06:54 PM



“ Danny and Family, So very sorry to hear of your mother's passing. I remember going into the places she worked and we would visit a bit. She was always so pleasant and friendly. Please accept my sincerest condolences for your loss.

Emily Thornbury Wallace
Arizona

Emily Wallace - February 27, 2015 at 03:50 PM



“ Danny, Diana, and Family, So sorry about Auntie Ruth. You are in our Prayers, Love
Cindy & Larry

Cindy & Larry Nation - February 27, 2015 at 12:44 PM



“ Danny, Diane and family,

So sorry to hear about your mom, such a sweet lady. Remember her working at Woolworths with Zelma.

Wayne and Peggy Hook

Wayne and Peggy Hook - February 27, 2015 at 09:21 AM



“ Diana, I always enjoyed running into your Mom. She always asked about the family, my sisters and my Dad. I think she is the last link to my Grandma Newport and will miss her smile and hugs. Your family in my thoughts and prayers. Bev Gray (Hite).

Bev Gray - February 27, 2015 at 08:32 AM



“ Garrett, Judy, Gary, Beate, Mike and Susie and family purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Ruth Oliverson.



Garrett, Judy, Gary, Beate, Mike and Susie and family - February 26, 2015 at 07:17 PM



“ Danny and family, We are sorry to hear of your loss and hold you in our thoughts and prayers.
Your friend,
Nancy Jane Stapp McCurdy
stappie@uswest.net
and
Donald McCurdy



Nancy Jane Stapp McCurdy, Donald McCurdy - February 26, 2015 at 05:39 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ruth Oliverson.



February 26, 2015 at 07:21 AM



“ Ruth was nice to everyone and always had a ready smile. My sympathies to the family.



Cheryl Benson - February 26, 2015 at 06:48 AM



“ Debjohnston& Piper Annie lit a candle in memory of Ruth Oliverson



debjohnston& Piper Annie - February 26, 2015 at 06:27 AM



“ TAMRA KNOX lit a candle in memory of Ruth Oliverson



TAMRA KNOX - February 26, 2015 at 05:32 AM



“ Dear Danny and Diana; please accept my sympathy for the loss of your Mother. My prayers are with you as you struggle through this life changing, sad experience. If you need anything, please call.

TAMRA KNOX - February 26, 2015 at 05:34 AM



“ Loved working with her at a and w root beer store she was a sweet kind lady

diane shelton - February 25, 2015 at 09:53 PM



“ I had the pleasure of caring for Ruthie during her stays at the hospital. I Had never meant her before but after about 5 minutes with her, I fell in love! I had never meant anyone so compassionate for other people! Working in healthcare, I have meant a lot of compassionate people but no one quite like Ruthie! She would offer people her food, her robe, her shoes, whatever she had, she was sure there was someone who needed them worse than she did. Even her bed, she was sure there was someone who needed that bed and she felt fine, someone needed it more than she did! We took many long walks and had many long talks. I will cherish those times and always remember my precious friend! Rest in peace Ruthie! Until we meet again XXOO!

Rhonda Carmichael - February 25, 2015 at 08:11 PM



“ She always had nice things to say never a harsh word. She was so patient and kind to all. Remember when Ron would talk of her how wonderful she was and it was so. She never met a stranger only a new friend. Prayers and hugs

Melody Cochrane - February 25, 2015 at 07:54 PM



“ I met Ruth the first and only time when Stephanie and Dustin and the entire family came for Fathers Day. We weren't sure why the entourage...but were so happy all could attend. We soon discovered that the big surprise was the announcement of Stephanie and Dustins wonderful news of their first baby! No one knew ahead of time, but Ruth guessed it during the ride to DSM.
She was amazing like that.

Totally connected with this beautiful woman the second I met her! She was a gift to our world...a flower that blooms on...
I feel lucky to have met her.

Kerry Fletcher - February 25, 2015 at 07:42 PM



“ So sorry to hear this. She was just the dearest person. If she met you once, she never forgot you. It was a blessing to know her. Linda and Howard Lanphier

Linda Lanphier - February 25, 2015 at 06:32 PM



“ Danno and Cheri,
We send you hugs, prayers and love as you spend time remembering your mom. She was always so lovely and happy. She will be missed.
Moochie, Sharky, Bruschi and Tank Frederiksen

Caryn - February 25, 2015 at 05:45 PM



“ So sorry for your loss, Danny and Diana. I sure loved visiting, calling, and sending Aunti Ruth cards. She will be greatly missed. She was my favorite Aunt!

Deb Johnston
Newton , Iowa

deb johnston - February 25, 2015 at 05:14 PM



“ Diane and Danny and family-so sorry for your loss. Your mom was a wonderful person. May she rest in peace. Dave Warwick

Dave Warwick - February 25, 2015 at 04:22 PM