



Kathleen Lucille Mitchell

August 14, 1921 - June 20, 2012

Kathleen Lucille Mitchell, age 90 of Albia, passed away Wednesday, June 20, 2012 at her home in Albia under the care of Hospice of Monroe County.

Kathleen was born August 14, 1921 in Bluff Creek Township, Monroe County to Lee Roy and Amy (Stewart) Clarke. She married Leo Vincent Mitchell on June 19, 1943 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Albia. To this union they had four children, Marcia, Marty, J. Michael, and Mark. After 59 years of marriage, Leo preceded Kathleen in death on September 29, 2002.

Kathleen graduated from Albia High School, Class of 1939. Prior to marriage, she delivered papers for the Ottumwa Courier and worked for United Telephone Co. as a telephone operator. Kathleen and Leo began farming in 1943 and later moved into town in 1993.

Kathleen loved music and played the saxophone in a dance band with her father for several years. She also enjoyed gardening, growing tomatoes, and traveling with her husband, Leo.

Kathleen is survived by her children, Marcia Skinner of Northglenn, CO, Marty V. Mitchell of Raytown, MO, and J. Michael (Brenda) Mitchell of Urbandale. She is also survived by eight grandchildren; and 11 great grandchildren.

Kathleen was preceded in death by her parents Lee Roy and Amy; husband, Leo; a son, Mark; and two sisters, Jean Stevenson and Grace Billings.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be 1 p.m. Saturday, June 23, 2012 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Albia, with Fr. Michael E. Volkmer, C.P.P.S. officiating. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery in Albia.

Visitation will begin at 11 a.m., Friday, June 22, 2012 at Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Kathleen's family present from 6-8 p.m. A rosary will be led by St. Mary's Altar and Rosary Society at 4 p.m., with a Christian Wake Service at 7 p.m. Friday evening.

A memorial has been established in Kathleen's name, for a good cause to be chosen at a later date.

Tribute Wall



“ *Kathleen Lucille Mitchell*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *Kathleen Lucille Mitchell*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *Marcia and brothers,*

I am so sorry for your loss. Your Mom always had that lovely smile on her face, truly and lovely lady.

Carol Kenworthy Stewart

Carol Kenworthy Stewart - Issaquah, WA - Classmate of Marcia's - June 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ So many wonderful meals were cooked by her for so many of us out at the farm. Grandparents, Aunts & Uncles, cousins, siblings, and all. She made it look so simple to put on such feasts. We all still talk of the beef roast, potatoes and her fabulous gravy! Don't forget all the wonderful corn they grew and the shucking parties. All the sweet corn you could eat! Due to her fastidious ways, the farm always looked so neat and tidy. A picture of the beauty of an Iowa family farm! She kept everything with a fresh coat of paint. We'll never forget the year of the purple paint. Even the ladder was kept fresh with purple paint. When we bought a two story home, we inherited that ladder and we enjoyed its color for a long time! How she loved music! One Christmas we made sure we had lots of jazzy music from her era to listen to. She had lots of smiles and her foot would tap. She always made time at each visit to spend time with the children. Hugs and kisses were abundant as was her love. Bowls of ice cream would be presented at the end of the day. We all thought that was quite a treat! After they moved to town and Leo passed, John Michael would be sure to visit monthly and tend to the list of chores she would have for him. Those were cherished visits that usually ended with a trip to Ottumwa for a good meal. We felt lucky to be able to dote on her just a little.

God bless you, Kathleen Lucille. We thank you for all the love you showed us all and wish you a wonderful time in Heaven!

John Michail Miitchell Family - Urbandale, IA - Family - June 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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