



## Kathryn Ann Burkman

July 8, 1926 - December 11, 2018

Kathryn Ann (Seibert) Burkman, age 92, of Albia, passed away Tuesday, December 11, 2018, at the Monroe Care Center in Albia.

The daughter of George and Teresa (Benton) Seibert, she was born July 8, 1926, in Albia. She was the fifth of ten children for George and Teresa.

On October 3, 1942, Kathryn was united in marriage to Robert L. Burkman and their marriage was blessed with five children. During their 75 years of marriage, Kay and Bob lived in Albia until his work took them to Des Moines where they resided for 30 years. Upon his retirement, they returned home to Albia. Kay is survived by her 4 children, Nancy Newcomb of Urbandale, Rita (Bill) Henderson of Greentop, MO, Roger (Sue) Burkman of Dexter, and Mark (Kathleen) Burkman of Cedar Rapids; one daughter-in-law, Catherine Ann Burkman of Albia, 10 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by 2 brothers, Jim (Sharon) Seibert of Eagle Grove and Dick (Barb) Seibert of Waukee; and a sister, Georgina (Walt) Seibert-Beary of Cedar Rapids. Kay is preceded in death by her husband, Bob; her parents, George and Teresa; 2 sisters, Frances and Patty; 4 brothers, George, Bob, Jack and Calvin; a son, Richard; a son-in-law, Bill; 2 granddaughters, Rhonda and Sheryl; and a great-grandson, Matthew.

Her early years of life and marriage were spent keeping the home front

running while her husband was serving in WWII as well as caring for her younger siblings.

Being a stay-at-home mom, she was always there for everyone and could do anything she set her mind to. She enjoyed being a Cub Scout Mom, helping with church activities (Methodist Youth Fellowship Group, Choir where she played the piano, Adult Sunday School Classes and Bible Study), and school activities (PTA, Band Parents etc.) Then there were grandchildren which she dearly loved. Everyone could depend on Grandma Kay and Grandpa Bob to attend special occasions or just stop by for a visit.

During the years she and Bob lived in Des Moines, they, along with their daughter, Nancy, owned "Family Affair Ceramics" traveling the state participating in craft shows. Kay was well known for her painting techniques which reached a professional level giving great details to all of her ceramic pieces. The "eyes" she painted brought life and personality to thousands of pieces of ceramics.

For several years Kay was an Avon distributor and enjoyed making new friends, sharing products with everyone, collecting Avon Bottles and being a member of an Avon Club in Des Moines.

For the past several years, she and her scissors have cut thousands upon thousands of coupons for military families stationed around the world.

With the passing of Kathryn, we, like many other families, have a big void in our lives. Something that only love, support of one another, family and friends, and time can heal. We are together and moving forward as she would want us to do. Of all the roles she played in her life we liked the one of "Mom" the best. The family wishes to express sincere appreciation and heartfelt gratitude for all the love and kindness shown to them during this difficult time.

Visitation will begin at 11:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m., Thursday, December 13, 2018, at Tharp Funeral Home in Albia with Kay's family present throughout the day and evening to greet family and friends.

The Tharp Funeral Home has been entrusted with arrangements. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Friday, December 14, 2018, at Trinity United Methodist Church in Albia, with Pastor Roger Henry officiating. Immediately following the funeral service, a luncheon will be served at the church in the fellowship hall. Burial will take place after the luncheon at Oak View Cemetery in Albia.

Memorials may be made to the Trinity United Methodist Church, Victorian Stroll or donor's choice.

Condolences may be left for the family at [www.tharpfh.com](http://www.tharpfh.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 13. 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Tharp Funeral Home  
116 Benton Ave.  
Albia, IA 52531  
(641) 932-3129  
<https://www.tharpfh.com/>

## Funeral Service

DEC 14. 11:00 AM (CT)

Trinity United Methodist Church  
1117 Benton Ave East  
Albia, IA 52531

# Tribute Wall



“ Kathryn Ann Burkman

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ Kathryn Ann Burkman

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ I am so sorry to hear about the loss of Kathryn. I visited with her this last summer when I was in Albia and I so enjoyed seeing her again. The Burkman family was my neighbors during the years I grew up in Albia and I remember Kathryn fondly. My thoughts and prayers are with her family. My sympathy to all who knew and loved her.

Jannett Gibb Gibson

Jerry Gibson - December 15, 2018 at 01:23 PM



“ ED MCGINN lit a candle in memory of Kathryn Ann Burkman



ED MCGINN - December 13, 2018 at 09:12 PM

MC

“ Nancy, thank you for calling and letting us know about your mom. She and your dad were such great neighbors to my parents. Now they are all together again. I just set up the ceramic manger scene she painted for my mom. So I will be thinking of them both this Christmas season. Sending my sympathy to all of you, Margaret Polich Cavanagh

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**Margaret Cavanagh** - December 13, 2018 at 05:26 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kathryn Ann Burkman.



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December 13, 2018 at 03:53 AM

SN

“ Sympathy to all of you during this difficult time. So hard to lose a loved one- especially a mom/grandma- they hold a very special place in our heart and will always be with us. Love too all, The Neil family

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**Sue Neil** - December 12, 2018 at 01:41 PM

SL

“ So sorry to hear of your loss. May she rest in God's arms and the angels surround her family with peace and comfort. Sandy Sonnenburg Laumeyer

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**Sandy Sonneburg Laumeyer** - December 11, 2018 at 06:24 PM

JG

“ I am so sorry to hear of the loss of Kathryn. I have known her for many years and I will remember her as someone who loved life, loved her family and enjoyed having fun and laughs. Cherish all of your memories and hold them close to your heart. Sending love and hugs to all of you.

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**Johneta Goodwin** - December 11, 2018 at 02:52 PM