



Margaret Jennette Willetts

December 3, 1925 - March 9, 2021

Margaret Jennette Willetts, age 95, formerly of Albia died March 9, 2021 at her home in Prior Lake, Minnesota.

Margaret was born December 3, 1925 to Ralph and Mabel Whitlock Ewers in Albia where she lived her entire life until 2012. She graduated from Albia High School in 1943 and attended Drake University for 3 years. On May 31, 1946 she was united in marriage to Kenneth Willetts in Albia. To this union, 3 children were born, James, David, and Jennette. Margaret and Kenneth shared 35 years of marriage prior to his passing on December 22, 1981.

Margaret was a member of the First Christian Church and P.E.O. She was the librarian at the Albia Public Library for ten years and owned the Ralph N Ewers store of Albia with her husband Kenneth during their married life.

Margaret is survived by her children: James (Marti) Willetts of Centerville, Iowa, David of Richfield, Minnesota and Jennette (Phillip) Robinson of Prior Lake, Minnesota; her grandchildren: Kristine Eyheralde of Centerville, Iowa, Michael (Katja) Willetts of Urbandale, Iowa, Beth Robinson and Sarah (Tim) Johnson, all of Minneapolis, Minnesota; seven great-granddaughters; ten nieces and nephews; and one brother, George Ewers of Marshalltown, Iowa.

Visitation will be held from 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. on Monday, May 31, 2021, at

the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Margaret's family present to greet family and friends.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, May 31, 2021, at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Tom Williamson officiating. A private family burial will be held at Oak View Cemetery at a later date.

A memorial has been established to the Welcome Home Soldier Monument in Albia. Memorials/cards of condolences may be directed to Jennette Robinson, 4372 Priorwood Street SE, Prior Lake, MN 55372.

Cemetery Details

Oak View Cemetery

Albia, IA 52531

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 31. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Margaret Jennette Willetts*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *Margaret Jennette Willetts*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *I vividly remember Margaret when she worked at the library and I was a frequent visitor and an avid reader. She was one of the nicest staff members and patiently helped me find good books to read after I'd finished everything in the children's department. As an adult, I, too, worked in a library and hopefully helped patrons as well as she helped me and helped develop in me a lifelong love of reading. My condolences to the family.*

Ellen Jennings - May 31, 2021 at 11:46 AM



“ *Such a nice lady. When I was in high school I used to baby sit her three young children. My condolences to her family.*

Jannett Gibb Gibson

Jannett Gibb Gibson - March 15, 2021 at 05:14 PM

PH

“ Our Scieszinski family grew up next door to the Willetts family on East Benton...many good memories of that time. In my adult years I often visited with Margaret at the library and later at the clinic when I became part of her routine health care. She was such a sweet, kind little lady and I missed our visits when she moved to Minnesota. My condolences to Jim, David, Janette and families.

Patty Hannam

Patty Hannam - March 14, 2021 at 09:28 AM

LK

“ So sorry for your loss as I read this news. Margaret was always a gracious, friendly person. She greeted everyone with an infectious smile. My affiliation with her in PEO has given me countless fond memories. Heaven has another gentle soul. We will all miss you dear lady. Sincerely, Lana Kaldenberg

Lana Kaldenberg - March 12, 2021 at 12:19 PM

SG

Very sorry to hear. She was a very special lady prayers for Margaret and the family

Stephen Gilland - March 12, 2021 at 07:21 PM

HG

What a long life. . . . In 1954 my mother Marcella Grant and I lived in your upstairs apartment. I recall how accommodating both your mother and father were to us. I do recall that at times Jennette cried in her crib and/or bed, but hardly a great annoyance. Happy memories, Roger Grant, Central, SC

H. Roger Grant - March 22, 2021 at 04:47 PM