



## Rosella Scieszinski

November 13, 1908 - October 4, 2012

Rosella Scieszinski, age 103 of Albia, passed away Thursday, October 4, 2012, at Monroe Care Center in Albia.

She was born November 13, 1908, to John and Grace (Rand) Brandon in Monroe County.

A graduate of Chariton High School, Rosella was a dietician at the Albia Hospital and VA Hospital in Knoxville. She was the last remaining child of a Union Civil War Veteran in Iowa, and also the oldest living resident of Monroe County.

Rosella was an excellent cook and really enjoyed cooking for her family. She also loved to play cards, along with quilting and traveling.

She is survived by three children, Eleanor Barnhill of Albia, Bill (Mary) Livengood of Hendersonville, TN, and Garold (Marva) Livengood of Marion, IA; 19 grandchildren; and many great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Rosella was preceded in death by her parents; husbands, Vern Livengood and Leo Scieszinski; a daughter, Thelma Livengood; and a son, Dale Livengood.

Funeral services will be 1:30 p.m., Monday, October 8, 2012, at Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Leonard Boswell, Member of Congress, officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery in Lovilia.

Visitation will be 3-8 p.m., Sunday, October 7, 2012, at the funeral home, with Rosella's family present throughout the afternoon and evening. Visitation will open back up at 11 a.m., Monday morning at the funeral home, until the start of the service.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Leisure Lounge in Albia.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Rosella Scieszinski*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *Rosella Scieszinski*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss, thinking about your entire family, she was quite the lady, will remember her for teaching me about beef and noodles on mashed potatoes, hers being the best.*

**georgene and david - walker, IA - freinds** - October 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *I am a member of the Iowa Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution. My great grandfather, Henry Purdue served in the Civil War for the North and from Iowa. My regret is I never got to talk to him about his experiences, nor to his wife, or my grandmother, Mable Purdue-Carson. Our family was originally from Chariton, and Woodburn Iowa. I was raised around Cedar Rapids. The only thing I remember was Grandpa Purdue was buried with a civil war small cannon ball in his side. I have an old wind up wall pendulum clock he made after the civil war. It still works and keeps very good time. I hope you were able to listen to Rosella's stories, as they are pure history that can not be found in books. I am sorry for your loss, but knowing your family history must make your proud. Rosella is in my prayers, as is your family to comfort you in the time of your loss.  
John L. Carson SAR, USMC Vietnam Vet.*

**John Carson - Mission Viejo,, CA - No relation,** - October 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MN

“ On behalf of the Department of Iowa, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, I would like to express our condolences on Rosella's passing. All Camps in the Department will be asked to have a moment of silence for the last Real Daughter of a Civil War veteran in Iowa.

*With deepest sympathy,*

*Michael W. Carr, Commander  
Department of Iowa, SUVCW*

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**Michael W. Carr - Carson, IA - NONE** - October 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ I have many memories of Rosella and the Leisure Lounge. She played a mean game of pitch and skip-bo!  
She invited me to her house many times for her pie and to show me the beautiful quilts she had made.  
She was one of my 'ladies' and I loved her like a Grandma.

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**Kathy Elliott - Albia, IA - Friend** - October 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ I'm Chester Livengood's Grandson. Aunt Rosella has always been a dear friend to both my Grandparents, and my mom and dad. She has left a legacy that has touched my family deeply. You are in my prayers always.

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**Shane Livengood - Newton, IA - October 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM**