



Thelma Arlene DeWitt

April 5, 1928 - April 7, 2008

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Dateline: Albia, Iowa

Thelma Arlene DeWitt, Age 80 of Albia, died Monday, April 7, 2008, at the Hospice Room in the Monroe County Hospital.

She was born in rural Appanoose County on April 5, 1928, to Lee and Emma (Chamberlain) Dawson. She attended Miller Country School, Moravia High School, and later graduated from Albia High School class of 1946. Thelma married Dale "Bob" DeWitt on November 17, 1946, in Troy, Kansas.

Thelma worked at her parents Hotel Coffee Shop, before waitressing at Bill and Mina's Restaurant, and later Murphy's Restaurant.

Besides her family, one of the greatest joys in Thelma's life was music.

Thelma began singing and playing the guitar at an early age and continued sharing that gift with her family and friends throughout her life.

Thelma also spent many hours sewing on her old treadle sewing machine.

She made many quilts for all her family and friends, preferring to use up old items rather than buying new.

Thelma attended Trinity United Methodist Church where she was a member of the Trinity Builders Sunday School Class and the Country Gospel.

Thelma is survived by her three children; Judy and Dean Summers of Albia, Jim and Rhonda DeWitt of Redfield, Jane and Tim Donelson of Pella. Eight grandchildren, and twelve great grandchildren. She is also survived by two

sisters; Wilma and Marvin Stallman of Cedar Falls, IA and Norma and Floyd Hopkins of Waterloo, IA

Thelma was preceded in death by her parents; Lee and Emma, her husband Bob, and one brother, Lee (Bud) Dawson.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30A.M., Wednesday, April 9, 2008, at the Trinity United Methodist Church in Albia, with Rev. Kevin Leveck officiating.

Burial will follow services at Oak View Cemetery of Albia, Iowa.

Visitation will begin at noon at the Winfield Funeral Home in Albia on Tuesday, April 8th , Thelma's family will be present from 5 to 8:00 P.M., Tuesday evening.

Condolences may be made at www.winfieldfh.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Thelma Arlene Dewitt*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *Thelma Arlene Dewitt*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *Dearest Melanie and Family,*

I know you will miss your Grandma, but she was such a wonderful woman. She truly was a mentor to you all. I loved her quiet, yet humorous spirit. When I close my eyes I can see her taking her daily walk-about never knowing a stranger and always having a good word to say. I'll never forget the day her old car no longer would go...it was an old stick shift and she just knew she would never adapt to any other vehicle...especially one with an automatic transmission! We all have beautiful memories thanks to Grandma Thelma! I will miss her.

Jackie Clark(Furst)

Jackie Clark (Furst) - April 13, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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“ I worked with Thelma at Murphy's for several years. She was such a great person and had such an uplifting spirit about her. I was fortunate enough to get to see her at my Grandmother's visitation this summer and was shocked when she knew exactly who I was since it had been many years ago that we worked together. I am sorry for your loss and will be thinking about your family during this time.

Kim Griffin-Powell - April 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Just to let you know we are thinking of you at your time of loss. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family at your time of need.

Diana & Rich Snow

Diana Snow - April 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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DB

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

*With deepest sympathy
Deb and Austin Brown*

Deb Brown - April 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM