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Olive B. Long, age 93 of Promise City, Iowa passed away peacefully with her daughters by her side Monday, January 6, 2014 at Mercy Medical Center, Long Term Care in Centerville, Iowa.

She was born the daughter of Monta (Boston) and Ray F. Dustin in Centerville, Iowa on December 26, 1920. Olive was baptized in 1937 and later became a member of the Promise City United Methodist Church where she attended as long as her health permitted.

Olive was married to Harold D. Long on April 23, 1940 and to this union two daughters were born. She lived her entire married life of 59 years in Promise City, Iowa.

She was preceded in death by her husband Harold on September 21, 1999; by her parents; two sisters, LaVelle McMurry and Ruth F. Bettis; and one brother, Ed Dustin. Olive is survived by her daughters, Beverly Sue Shafer and Linda Cox and husband Thomas M. Cox; grandchildren, Scott Shafer and wife Karen of Mechanicsville, Virginia, Steven Shafer and wife Pam of Daleville, Alabama, Brent Shafer and wife Lisa of Victoria, Minnesota, Teresa Long and husband Jeff of Eddyville, Iowa and Jennifer Kaster and husband Jason of Dallas Center, Iowa; great grandchildren, Courtney Shafer, Scotty Shafer, Helena Shafer, Kody Shafer, Cole Shafer, Sidney Shafer, Allie Shafer, Caitlyn (Josh) Bailey, Hannah Long, Kwintyn Long, Kendall Long, Jaxon Kaster and Brooklynn Kaster; sister VaLee Warrick of Des Moines; sister-in-law Louise Dustin of Seymour; and several nieces and nephews.

Olive worked for 14 years as a cook in the hot lunch program at the Promise City School and later worked for 17 years for Neely Mfg. Company. She had a talent for sewing which included everything from her children's clothes to doll clothes. She had a special love for cooking and baking and will always be remembered for her home made noodles and her peanut brittle.



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She enjoyed her family and the family get-to-gathers. Her daughters Beverly and Linda were the highlights of her life. Olive and Harold enjoyed their many years together and celebrated their 59th anniversary in 1999.

During her journey she touched the lives of many people including neighbors, friends, co-workers, staff at the Continental at St. Joseph's and Mercy Medical Center Long Term Care, as well as being a loving wife, mother, mother-in-law to Tom Cox who loved her dearly, and grandmother. Olive enjoyed her home and family, always looking forward to family coming home.

A closed casket visitation will be held from 12:00-1:30 PM on Wednesday, January 8, 2014 at Lange Funeral Home and Crematory in Centerville. Private graveside services will be held. In lieu of flowers, any monetary donations will be made to the Promise City Cemetery Road Up-Keep Fund according to Olive's wishes and may be left at Lange Funeral Home and Crematory, 1900 S. 18th St., Centerville, Iowa 52544. Condolences may be shared online at www.langefh.com.

Visitation

January 08, 2014 12:00 PM to 1:30 PM

Lange Funeral Home 1900 S. 18th St. Centerville, IA (641) 856-2000



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Thomas Funeral Home posted:

October 21 at 12:55 PM



Thomas Funeral Home shared an album called **Obituary Wall**.



October 13 at 12:57 PM



Anonymous posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with your family at this time. Many fond memories..... Posted by Anita and Bill Wells - Corydon, IA - friends January 08, 2014

January 4 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Olive was a wonderful friend to my Mother while they both lived at The Continental at St. Josephs. And Olive was the first person to visit when my Mother moved to long term care. For that I will be forever grateful. Please accept my sympathy during this difficult time. Posted by Tara Koestner - Centerville, IA - Friend January 08, 2014

January 4 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Rick and I so enjoyed Olive when we lived next door to her in Promise City. Her garden and flowers gardens were wonderful. She often baked cookies for our son Mathew, esp. when he shoveled her sidewalk. To Olives daughters Sadness is a wall between two gardens. By Kahil Gibron. Posted by Linda Holmes - corydon, IA - Widow to Rickey Holmes January 08, 2014

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Anonymous posted:

She was a great lady. I feel so blessed to have known Olive. She will be missed! Posted by Joyce Seddon - Centerville, IA - Friend January 08, 2014

January 4 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Linda, Bev and Families-- We are thinking of you. Our family has many memories of the years in Promise City and the time we lived next door to each other. Posted by Arlene Thompson and Family - Fort Dodge, IA - Friend January 09, 2014

January 4 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Sending our sympathy and prayers to the family of Olive Long. Olive was our patient and friend. We made visits to her in Extended Care when she could no longer get out to visit us at the clinic. What a great lady! We feel blessed to have a had such a great friend. Posted by Jaren and Jamie Tubaugh - Centerville, IA - friend January 20, 2014

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Memories only last if you share them

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