



Elizabeth 'Betty' Bear

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Elizabeth 'Betty' Ann Bear, age 88, of Centerville, passed away Sunday, February 18, 2018 at Mercy Medical Center in Centerville.

Betty was born on April 8, 1929, in Centerville, Iowa, the daughter of Jack G. Morris Sr. and Ann (Blazina) Morris. She graduated from Centerville High School. She was united in marriage to Thomas Richard Bear on July 16, 1950, at the St. Mary's Catholic Church in Centerville. From this union, two children were born, Morris Richard Bear and William 'Billy' Thomas Bear.

Following high school, Betty was employed at the Appanoose County Courthouse. She worked in the Appanoose County Treasurer's Office for 16 years. When the children were born, Betty decided to stay home to raise her children.

Betty enjoyed cooking, knitting, painting, making pottery, and listening to music. Later in life, she was very fond of watching the wildlife outside of her home. She was also a member of the St. Mary's Catholic Church in Centerville.

Left to honor Betty's memory include her husband, Thomas Bear of Centerville; her children, Morris Bear of Centerville, and Billy Bear of Centerville; two grandchildren, Dustin Richard Bear of Nashville, Tennessee, and Dane Thomas Bear of Centerville; a brother-in-law, James E. (Barbara) Bear and family; four nieces and nephews, Linda Johnson, Michele Meanly, Patrick Morris, Mike Morris and all of their families; as well as numerous friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Jack Morris Sr. and Ann Morris; and a brother, Jack Morris Jr.

Funeral Services will be held at 11AM, Thursday, February 22, 2018 at Lange Funeral Home and Crematory in Centerville with Father Bill Hubmann officiating. Burial will follow the funeral service at Oakland Cemetery in Centerville. A Visitation will take place on Thursday, February 22, 2018 at Lange Funeral Home in Centerville with family greeting friends from 10-11AM. Memorials have been established to the



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St. Labre Indian School in Ashland, Montana, and may be mailed to Lange Funeral Home, 1900 South 18th Street, Centerville, Iowa 52544. Condolences may be shared online at www.langefh.com or at www.facebook.com/lange.funeralhome.

Visitation

2018-02-22 10:00:00

11:00:00

Lange Funeral Home & Crematory

1900 South 18th St

Centerville

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52544

Funeral Service

2018-02-22 11:00:00

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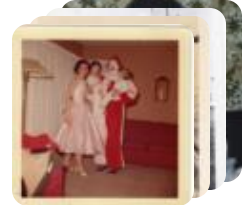


Thomas Funeral Home posted:

October 21 at 1:43 PM



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



February 18 at 7:00 PM



Jim Shinogle posted:

Betty and my Mother Dorothy Shinogle were great friends while working at the Treasure's office together. I have great memories of those times and the kindness Tom and Betty showed our fam

February 19 at 7:00 PM



Arlene Bieliski posted:

Betty and I took classes together in the 1970s, went on drawing excursions down the farm to market roads and shared so many other wonderful creative endeavors together. We kept in touch all these many years and there is a hole in my heart at her passing. My condolences to her entire family. She was a very special lady and friend. Arlene Bieliski, Winter Haven, Florida

February 24 at 7:00 PM



Jody & Janet Gideon posted:

Although it's difficult today to see beyond the sorrow, May looking back in memory help comfort you tomorrow.

February 21 at 7:00 PM



Judy Buban posted:

Betty and I took painting and ceramic classes together years ago. She continued to expand her art to other areas and was very creative and talented. Deepest sympathy to her family.

February 21 at 7:00 PM



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JB

Judy Buban posted:

Dustin She was so proud of you and your musical ability. She was your biggest fan. Sympathy to you in your loss.

February 21 at 7:00 PM

GL

Gwendolyn Lohmann posted:

Betty was a very talented and creative person.. Enjoyed our time together in the fiber guild. my condolences to her family, She will be missed.

February 20 at 7:00 PM

DB

Dustin Bear posted:

I'm sorry that you've lost an amazing wife Grandpa. Dad, Uncle Bill, you've both lost an amazing mother. I miss you Nana. May your soul rest in peace and your love guide us all forever.

February 19 at 7:00 PM

NT

Nellie Thomas lit a candle in honor of Elizabeth.

Lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth 'Betty' Bear

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DL

Dennis & Beverly Sisul Laurson lit a candle in honor of Elizabeth.

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MC

Mike Cortesio posted:

A wonderful lady and a great family.

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Alan Clark posted:

My condolences to Tom, Morris, and Bill .

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Thomas Funeral Home shared 9 photos to the **Obituary Wall** album.

October 13 at 2:13 PM





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