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Mary Helen DeVore, age 84 of Plano, Iowa passed away Monday, January 19, 2015 at the Centerville Nursing and Rehab Center.

She was born to Chester and Irene (Sash) Ervin on February 9, 1930 in Laurel, Iowa. Mary Helen graduated from Laurel High School in 1948. She married Dale DeVore in Conrad, Iowa on November 15, 1953. To this union of marriage four children were born, Dennis, Donald, Doug and Brian. In her early years, Mary Helen worked for Fuller's Grocery in Laurel. She later worked for Montgomery Ward in Marshalltown. Mary Helen was a homemaker from the time of her marriage up until 1970. During this period of time she cared for her husband, four children, and in-laws. She also worked outdoors on the family farm, butchering nearly three hundred chickens during the summer, also preparing nightly dinners for a large, extended family. She went to work for Neely's Manufacturing in 1970. Mary Helen was employed with the company for thirty six years, retiring in 2006. It should be noted that while employed with Neely's, Mary Helen tended to a large vegetable garden, half an acre in size. She would work long hours during the day, followed by an extensive period of time working in her garden in the evening.

Mary Helen and Dale were longtime members of the Promise City Methodist Church.

Left to honor her memory, her husband of sixty one years, Dale DeVore of Plano, Iowa; four children, Donald (Denise) DeVore of Carlisle, Iowa, Dennis (Chris) DeVore of Belle Plaine, Iowa, Doug (Marlene) DeVore of Princeton, Missouri and Brian (Tena) DeVore of Norwalk, Iowa; fifteen grandchildren; seventeen great grandchildren; three sisters, Dorothy Ervin of Des Moines, Rosa Ervin of Des Moines, Cheryl (Ken) Weible of Des Moines; three nephews, Jim (Darla) Cherney of Montana, Kenny (Becky) Weible of Des Moines and Chris (Kassandra) Weible of Des Moines; and two nieces, Kathy (Ronnie) Payne of Wyoming and Nancy (Kevin) George of Des Moines;



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as well as numerous other nieces and nephews.

Mary Helen was preceded in death by her parents; two sisters, Judy Pauline Ervin and Minnie Cherney; and a brother, Elmer Lee Ervin.

Memorial services will be held at 2:30 PM, Saturday, January 24, 2015 at Lange Funeral Home and Crematory in Centerville with Pastor Joan Ervin officiating.

Inurnment will follow in the Jones Cemetery near Plano, Iowa. A visitation will be held on Saturday at the funeral home from 1-2:30 PM. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions have been established to Care Initiatives and may be given to Lange Funeral Home and Crematory, 1900 S. 18th St., Centerville, Iowa 52544. Condolences may be shared online at www.langefh.com.

Visitation

January 24, 2015 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM

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

Memorial Service

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Thomas Funeral Home posted:

October 21 at 2:23 PM



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October 13 at 2:53 PM



Anonymous posted:

Im so sorry for your loss. I remember going to your house when I was little. Also remember when you guys would come and visit with us at ours. Mom (Betty DeVore) always said how much she like visiting with Mary Helen. May God be with you all. Hugs and prayers too, Maxine Posted by Maxine DeVore Taylor - Allerton, IA January 21, 2015

January 4 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Brian and family so sorry to hear about your sweet Mom. Prayers for you and your family. Posted by Cathy Keller January 20, 2015

January 4 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Praying for Dale and children during this difficult time. From some of your Missouri cousins Neil and Arlene DeVore and children - Michael DeVore, Joyce Long, Dennis DeVore, and Denise Gray. Posted by Joyce Long - Marceline, MO - Extended family January 20, 2015

January 4 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Brian & family, sorry for the loss of your mom. You are in our prayers. Posted by John, Kristy, Holly, Hannah Broadbent - Norwalk, IA - Friends January 20, 2015

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Anonymous posted:

Sorry for the loss of your mom Dennis, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Posted by Dennis & Mim Kurmski Family - Melrose, IA - Friends January 20, 2015

January 4 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I worked with Mary Helen at Neely's from 1978 to 1987. She always had A Smile on her face! Mary Helen would be the first one to help you if you needed it. She shared many great recipes with me. She worked in the factory all day and then went home and worked some more. She loved gardening. She is one of the hardest working women I ever knew. She loved her family and spoke of them frequently. Mary Helen never really walked, she speed walked, always in a hurry to get something else done !! RIP Mary Helen, you have earned it. Posted by Linda Moore - Des Moines, IA - friend January 20, 2015

January 4 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

What a beautiful woman. I remember a great laugh and the love of her family. Mom worked with her at Neelys and later with the boys at heatilator. I can see that garden when we looked out the school bus window. Hugs to u all Posted by angela stufflebeam - moravia, IA - neughbor January 20, 2015

January 4 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Our Sympathy Guy Earl and Julia Posted by Guy Earl and Julia - Princeton, MO - friends January 22, 2015

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Anonymous posted:

So sorry for your loss Posted by Rusty & Teresa Elmore - MO - Friends of Doug January 23, 2015

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Anonymous posted:

Sorry for your loss. I remember Helen visiting with my grandparents, Bill and Helen Ervin. I always had fun listening to her and Uncle Chester and Grandma visit on Memorial Day in Cincinnati. Posted by Trish Tagami. (TC) - Wahiawa, HI January 24, 2015

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