

Dorothy Ellen Kuhblank

March 13, 1918 - March 15, 2016

Dorothy Ellen Kuhblank passed from this life on March 15, 2016 after 98 years filled with family, friends, and fond companions. Childhood years in a family of 10 on a small Lakewood strawberry farm coupled with the lean years during WWII led Dorothy to develop a talent for creative ways to use and reuse discarded items. She would have been a Pinterest rockstar! It did lead her to a lifelong love of garage sales, and she took pride in her bargaining skills.

Dorothy loved to dance, tell jokes, play partner pinochle, and win at bingo. She will be lovingly remembered by her family for her infectious laugh and the joy she brought to their parties and get-togethers through the years.

She is survived by her sons Larry (Shirley) Childs and Don (Cheryl) Childs, and daughter-in-law Sandy Goforth. Her son Glen Goforth passed away in January, 2016.

May she be dancing and laughing once again in her new life.

Comments



My Aunt was the most beautiful person a man could ever ask for, my wife and I are sending our special thoughts for her life to her son's and wives and a thank you to Sandy for all she has done.

Ed Biggins - March 24, 2016 at 02:48 PM



In addition to her warm hearted, kind and bubbly personality, Dorothy was a beautiful seamstress, a great cook, and a lover of animals. She had to alter my wedding gown before marrying Don; it was too big and too long! It had rows and rows of lace, so it was a daunting task. It came out perfect, as I knew it would, but I know she spent hours and hours on it!

I can't count all the wonderful home-cooked meals, in addition to all the holidays, that Dorothy whipped up for us and everyone else. Being a cook for the Auburn School District (and later the head cook at Algona-Pacific) made her job of cooking for family a "piece of cake"! She always made us feel special and welcome. Her rolls and her pies and cakes were always fresh out of the oven delicious.

Her love of animals was as big a part of her as any other. She was always taking in strays and her heart would break if she thought one had been hurt. We had our Fluffy cat for 17 years, thanks to Dorothy taking her in right before we came down for a visit!

She knew I wouldn't be able to resist either...

There was nothing Dorothy wouldn't do for her family. She was always so generous and thoughtful. Anything for her children and grandchildren!

We will miss you Dorothy (Mom), for everything you were. You have touched so many lives during your stay on this earth. You will never be forgotten. May you continue to find happiness and peace, wherever you go... Don and Cheryl Childs

Childs - March 24, 2016 at 02:47 PM



What a joy Aunt Dorothy brought to our lives we know she is smiling down on us with here laughter we will always cherish her memory. We can't forget her love of cooking and those children that stood in line to receive her goodies. Ed and Bonnie Biggins

Biggins - March 24, 2016 at 02:47 PM



The most memorable think about Aunt Dorothy was her infectious laugh. She took Smoke and I to the theater to see a Mad Mad World. During the show we went to get popcorn and when we returned during a funny part of the movie and we could hear Aunt Dorothy over the rest of the crowd.

Skee Goforth - March 24, 2016 at 02:46 PM





66 Guest lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Ellen Kuhblank



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