



Louise E. Schafer

February 4, 1925 - July 30, 2023

Louise E. Schafer, 98, of Mason City passed away on Sunday, July 30, 2023 at Mason City Area Nursing Home. She was born on February 4, 1925 in Mason City to Jonah and Nina (Austin) Watkins. On March 26, 1947 in Mason City she married John C. Schafer who preceded her in death in 1999.

Louise is survived by 3 children; Susan (Brent) Schwarm of Vandalia, Linda (Dick) Garlisch of Forest City and Dean (Jan) Schafer of San Jose, 8 grandchildren; Julie (Kevin) Roberts, Brad (Sarah) Horner, Brent (Michael) Horner, Scott (Brandy) Garlisch, Stephanie Schafer, Jennifer (Josh) Wagner, Nicole Schafer, Christine (Cory Bagby) Schafer and step-grandchildren; Brandy Shirley and Chelsey (Dane) Lemme, 22 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and husband John.

Louise was a 1942 graduate of Mason City High School and was member of the Mason City United Methodist Church where she taught Sunday school. Her husband and her lead Pleasant Workers 4-H Club for 25 years, and she was inducted into the Illinois 4-H Hall of Fame in 2015. She enjoyed participating in Woman's Literature Club, Mason County HCE and the Mason County Farm Bureau.

A funeral for Louise will be held on Saturday, August 5, 2023 at 11:00 AM at Mason City United Methodist Church, burial to follow at Mason City Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 9:00 AM until the time of service at 11:00 AM at the church. Memorial contributions may be made to Mason County 4-H and Junior Shows, Mason City Methodist Church, or the Mason City Area Nursing Home

Activities Department. Online condolences can be left at www.hurleyfh.com .
Hurley Funeral Home in Mason City is in charge of the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Mason City Cemetery

Mason City, IL 62664

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 5. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (cst)

Mason City United Methodist Church
100 E. Pine
Mason City, IL 62664
(217) 482-5551

Funeral Service

AUG 5. 11:00 AM (cst)

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Tribute Wall



“ Hurley Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Louise E. Schafer



Hurley Funeral Home - August 04, 2023 at 02:15 PM

RS

“ Our sincere sympathy for your loss. Cherish your many wonderful memories.
Darell and Rosanne Sarff

Rosanne Sarff - August 02, 2023 at 09:44 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Louise E. Schafer.

August 02, 2023 at 12:05 PM



“ Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Louise E. Schafer.



August 02, 2023 at 12:05 PM

PF

“ Pearl & Lynn Harsst, Dilmar & Judy McGinnis, Peggy & Jim McIntyre, Paula & Gary Tyner, Pam & Larry Hill, Penny Bailliez, Patty & Mark Hardman & Familie purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Louise E. Schafer.



Pearl & Lynn Harsst, Dilmar & Judy McGinnis, Peggy & Jim McIntyre, Paula & Gary Tyner, Pam & Larry Hill, Penny Bailliez, Patty & Mark Hardman & Familie - August 02, 2023 at 10:31 AM

DB

“ Prayers for comfort to Louise's family. Remembering Louise at the 4-H fairs. Her warm smile and helpfulness will be remembered. She and John were wonderful mentors to many in the vegetable building.

Don and Marilyn Blakeley - August 02, 2023 at 09:25 AM

RA

“ Rob Patty Ann lit a candle in memory of Louise Schafer



Rob and Patty Ann - August 02, 2023 at 06:53 AM

CK

“ Prayers to the family. Louise was such a great lady. Enjoyed seeing her at the county fair and visiting with her.

Carol Fisk Kolves - August 01, 2023 at 09:07 PM

LH

“ Larry Mary Hundt sent a virtual gift in memory of Louise Schafer



Larry and Mary Hundt - August 01, 2023 at 01:41 PM

BS

“ Sorry for your loss,Louise was a kind and sweet lady prayers for the family, Beverly Stafford.

Beverly Stafford - August 01, 2023 at 11:25 AM

BS

“ Beverly Stafford lit a candle in memory of Louise Schafer



Beverly Stafford - August 01, 2023 at 11:24 AM

BZ

“ Such a dear, sweet lady. She always made me feel special whenever I would see her. Prayers for comfort for the family.

Barb Zimmerman - August 01, 2023 at 11:11 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Louise E. Schafer.

August 01, 2023 at 10:28 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Louise E. Schafer.* ”



August 01, 2023 at 10:28 AM



“ *Such a sweet lady. I'll miss seeing her.* ”



Nancy Leesman - August 01, 2023 at 10:12 AM



“ *Louise was such a sweet lady and prayers are being said for your loss to Stephanie, Morgan and Karter and all the family. “Gma” Bernie Sarff, Decatur* ”

Bernie Sarff - August 01, 2023 at 09:06 AM



“ *So sorry for everyone's loss in the family 🙏🙏* ”



Dave Vaughn - August 01, 2023 at 05:41 AM

FB

“ So many memories of John and Louise being my wonderful 4-H leaders and seeing both of them in church as well as being neighbors. Louise was a truly wonderful lady and will be greatly missed. The whole family will be in my thoughts and prayers. Sending lots of hugs.

Faye Meeker Bragg - July 31, 2023 at 11:26 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Louise E. Schafer.



July 31, 2023 at 09:55 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Louise E. Schafer.



July 31, 2023 at 09:32 PM

VB

“ Vickie Bagby lit a candle in memory of Louise Schafer



Vickie Bagby - July 31, 2023 at 08:21 PM

HS

Louise was always there and glad to help us through any trial we had in our 4H journey and a true friend and always there with a smile and a kind and helpful word. A true blessing for us. Helen Wharram Swaar Prayers

Helen Wharram Swaar - August 01, 2023 at 09:29 AM