



Mary E. Soper

January 24, 1929 - December 17, 2017

Mary E. Soper, age 88, of Washington, Iowa, passed away Sunday, December 17, 2017 at the Halcyon House in Washington.

Celebration of life services will be held 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, December 20, 2017, at the United Methodist Church in Washington with Rev. Kwang Song officiating. Calling hours will begin noon Tuesday at the Jones & Eden Funeral Home where the family will receive friends from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Tuesday evening. Interment will be held at Elm Grove Cemetery. Memorials have been established for the United Methodist Church and the Halcyon House Good Samaritan Fund. Online condolences may be sent for Mary's family through the web at <http://www.jonesfh.com>.

Mary was born January 24, 1929 in Missouri, the daughter of Ralph and Grace (Upton) Rehmel. She graduated from Independence High School and from Cornell College in Mt. Vernon. Mary was united in marriage to Delbert L. Soper on December 29, 1961 in Independence.

Mary taught for a short time in Altoona before moving to Washington in 1961. She then taught Home Economics in Washington until her retirement. She was a member of the United Methodist Church, P.E.O. and TTT. Mary enjoyed sewing, quilting, playing bridge and helping with her grandchildren.

She is survived by her daughter, Lisa Heisdorffer and husband Phil of Keota, IA; son, David Soper and wife Bonnie of Cedar Rapids, IA; 9 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents and her husband, Delbert in 2006.

Cemetery

Events

Elm Grove Cemetery

Washington, IA, 52353

DEC 19 **Calling Hours** 12:00PM - 07:00PM

Jones - Eden Funeral Home
116 East Main, Washington, IA, US, 52353

DEC 19 **Family will receive friends** 05:00PM - 07:00PM

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DEC 20 **Celebration of Life** 10:30AM

United Methodist Church
206 West Second Street, Washington, IA, US, 52353

Comments



“ Mrs. Soper was my favorite high school Foods teacher! Mr. Soper was my teacher for every math class I took in high school. I would always get extra help during his planning period on my homework. During a unit of study on food in China I made fortune cookies. Mr. Soper would often stop by the foods room after school. I wrote some fortunes about my math grade for his cookies. They both had a laugh when he broke them open. I loved running into them whenever I came back to Washington...at church, the grocery store or sometimes I would call. Mrs. Soper was the inspiration for my career choice! I've been teaching culinary arts at West High School in Madison, Wisconsin for the last 16 years. I was so excited to share the news with her when I was hired.

She has and will always hold special memories and a special place in my heart, as will Mr. Soper!

Lisa and David, my deepest sympathy and condolences to you and your families.

Diane (Jarrard) McKenzie

Diane Jarrard McKenzie - December 25, 2017 at 09:27 PM



“ Diane Jarrard McKenzie lit a candle in memory of Mary E. Soper



Diane Jarrard McKenzie - December 25, 2017 at 09:01 PM



“ Ruth (Earnest) Heck lit a candle in memory of Mary E. Soper



ruth (Earnest) Heck - December 20, 2017 at 07:34 AM



“ My mother enjoyed living next door to your parents at the Halcyon House town house. Mom often spoke of how devoted her family was checking on her and spending time with her every day. My sympathy to all of the Soper family.
Jane (Shearer) Moon

Jane Moon - December 19, 2017 at 09:19 AM



“ Amy Hernandez lit a candle in memory of Mary E. Soper



Amy hernandez - December 18, 2017 at 09:55 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mary E. Soper.



December 18, 2017 at 05:28 PM



“ My deepest sympathy is with Mary's family and friends. She was a wonderful woman and I am happy i had the chance to meet Mary and share fond memories i will hold close to my heart.



Teara R. - December 18, 2017 at 01:16 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mary E. Soper.



December 18, 2017 at 12:18 PM



“ Theresa Anders lit a candle in memory of Mary E. Soper



Theresa Anders - December 18, 2017 at 11:30 AM



“ My sympathies to Mary's family. Mary had such an infectious laugh and positive attitude.



Annette Fritz - December 18, 2017 at 09:38 AM



“ Angie (Heisdorffer) Fiscus lit a candle in memory of Mary E. Soper



Angie (Heisdorffer) Fiscus - December 18, 2017 at 07:36 AM



“ Mrs. Soper was a wonderful educator. I leared so much from her (Class of 91). Sincere condolences to the family.

Angie (Heisdorffer) Fiscus - December 18, 2017 at 07:41 AM



“ Mary was such a sweet lady. It was my honor to care for her while I worked for Halcyon. She will be missed.

Barb - December 18, 2017 at 02:58 PM



“ My heart is with you all. I loved your Mom so much! She was so good and kind to me when we were young, She was like a second Mom! I'm so lucky to have had her and all of you. When Dad passed a couple of years ago. I loved spending time with her then and am sorry I won't get to visit with her when I'm back next week. Thinking of you all!

Laurie Shalla - December 19, 2017 at 09:08 PM



“ Mary was a wonderful person, full of humor and life. I saw her In October and she was just the same. In spite of the challenges in her later life, she always seemed to handle with humor and dignity. She and Del were both very special people to me. My sympathies to her family.

Sally Owen Ouellette - December 21, 2017 at 07:41 PM