## Connie I. Cunard

Connie IvaGene (Meritt) Cunard entered fully into the presence of her Lord and Savior on Saturday, December 17, 2016 at Longview Nursing Home in Missouri Valley, Iowa.

Connie was born to the late Orley & Clara (Kutcher) Meritt in Hebron, Nebraska on September 12, 1938. She attended Thomas Jefferson High School in Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Connie was united in marriage to her best friend, William E Cunard on October 14, 1954. To this union five children (Bill, Pam, Peg, Tim & Craig) were born. She was a dedicated, supportive Mother who never missed any of her children's athletic, musical or church activities.

She had the most marvelous green thumb and enjoyed planting numerous trees and flowers. "Our family believed she could actually grow a stick". She enjoyed traveling with Pete, her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Connie is survived by her husband of 62 years, William (Pete) Sr; William (Baiba) Jr. of Missouri Valley; Pamela (Greg) Evans of Logan, Iowa; Peggy (Kyle) Black of Norwalk, Iowa; Timothy (Regina) of Missouri Valley and Craig of Missouri Valley. Fourteen grandchildren: William Cunard III, Brianna (Trent) Lally, Brooke (David) VanBruggen, Rowdy (Jan) Evans, Jamie (Kelly) Evans, Bradley (Amy) Black, Kristin Black, Kimberly (Andy) Sorenson, Brian (Brooke) Cunard, Amanda (John) Lorenzen, Derrik (Ashley) Cunard, Ashley Cunard, Corey Cunard and Cayla Cunard. Twenty-Two great grandchildren; William IV, Lily, Dahlia Cunard, Baker, Brooklyn, Baylor Lally, Nolan and Delaney VanBruggen, Maren and Sage Evans, Amelia and Kennedy Evans, Logan and Lauren Black, Hailey Black, Caleb Black and Natalie Sorenson, Alivia and Adalyn Cunard, Lyndsey and Noah Lorenzen, Lainey Cunard. Sisters; Bessie Crawford of Lodi, California and Erma Umble of Otley, Iowa.

Visitation will be held at the Hennessey-Aman Funeral Home in Missouri Valley, Iowa on Wednesday, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m with a prayer service at 6:00 p.m. Memorials may be directed to the family. Pete and the family wish to extend their gratitude to Dr. Robert (Bug) Cunard, Sami, Christina, Crystal, Sandy and the entire Longview nursing staff for their loving care and devotion to Mom during her 3 year residency. In Loving Memory Of Connie I. Cunard Born September 12, 1938 Hebron, Nebraska Entered Into Rest December 17, 2016 Missouri Valley, Iowa Funeral Service 10:30 a.m. Thursday, December 22, 2016 Country Bible Church Blair, Nebraska Officiating Pastor Glen Hudson Vocalist Rick Powell Vocal Selections "In The Garden "There's A Lighthouse" "When We All Get To Heaven" Honorary Bearers (Granddaughters) Kristin Black Brianna Lally Brooke VanBruggen Kimberly Sorenson Amanda Lorenzen Ashley Cunard Cayla Cunard Casket Bearers (Grandsons) Rowdy Evans Jamie Evans Bradley Black Brian Cunard William III Cunard Derrik Cunard Corey Cunard

Final Resting Place (2:00 p.m.) Calhoun Cemetery Missouri Valley, Iowa