

Emma Jean Myler

UPDATED SERVICE TIMES:

Celebration of Life Service will be 11:30 a.m. Saturday, July 31, 2021 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Missouri Valley, Iowa.

Emma Jean Myler, age 93, passed away on Friday, December 11, 2020 at Missouri Valley Community Hospital. Emma Jean was born July 31, 1927, the 6th child of 11, to Robert and Minnie (Pierce) Riley. She was a proud graduate of Missouri Valley High School Class of 1945. Immediately after graduation she was recruited by the U. S. Navy as a civilian employee. She was 17 years old when she went to Washington D.C. to aid in the war effort as a stenographer. She returned to Missouri Valley to marry Claude W. "Doug" Myler on August 24, 1945. They were married 60 years until his death on July 14, 2005. She worked at the VA Hospital in Omaha for many years and retired from the Omaha Corps of Engineers. Some of her hobbies were bowling, Scrabble, playing cards, and an occasional visit to the casinos. She played Words and other games on her iPad until her death, often besting her children and grandchildren. She was very patriotic and extremely proud of the military service of 5 of her siblings; her son, Jim; and 2 grandchildren.

Emma Jean was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Doug; daughters Rita Alys (at birth) and Rejina Kay; 5 sisters; 2 brothers; and a great grandson, Daniel Dwight.

Those left to cherish her memory include her children and (spouses), Jim (Janet) Missouri Valley; Claudia Jean (Dwight) Schwertley, Rock Island, IL; Tom (Michelle) Osage Beach, MO; Janis(Earl) Mitchell, Weatherford, TX; 13 grandchildren; 15 great grandchildren; siblings, Flossie Lamkins, Sacramento, CA; Harriet Riley, Rock Springs, WY; John Riley, Missouri Valley; sister-in-law Rosella Myler, Missouri Valley; brother-in-law Roger Smith, Omaha, NE; and many nieces and nephews.

Hennessey Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be left at www.hennesseyonline.com.