

Muriel McIntosh

In Loving Memory of Muriel Lee (Klindt) McIntosh August 11, 1921 – September 16, 2014 93 Years 1 Month 5 Days Service 10:00 AM, Saturday, September 20, 2014 Hennessey Aman Funeral Home, Missouri Valley, Iowa Clergy Connie O. McWilliams ☐ Community of Christ Music Stealing Away to Jesus My Jesus I Love Thee When We All Get to Heaven Interment Branson Cemetery, Honey Creek, Iowa Pallbearers Doug Foster Chris Odell Greg Foster Ron McIntosh Chris Heuton Regg Carnes If Flowers Grow In Heaven If flowers grow in heaven Lord, then pick a bunch for me. Place them in my grandma's arms and tell her they're from me. Tell her that I love and miss her, and when she turns to smile, place a kiss upon her cheek and hold her for a while. Muriel's family would like to invite everyone to lunch and fellowship at the United Methodist Church, Missouri Valley, Iowa following interment. Legacy of Love A wife, a mother, a grandma too, This is the legacy we have from you. You taught us love and how to fight, You gave us strength, you gave us might. A stronger person would be hard to find, And in your heart, you were always kind. You fought for us all in one way or another, Not just as a wife not just as a mother. For all of us you gave your best, Now the time has come for you to rest. So go in peace, you've earned your sleep, Your love in our hearts, we'll eternally keep. ~ Author Unknown ~ Muriel was born to Carl and Stella (Lee) Klindt on August 11, 1921 in rural Shelby County, Iowa, where she grew up. Muriel was the older sister to five younger brothers; Lee, Max, David, Ralph and James. After graduating from Harlan High School and attending college in Cedar Falls, Iowa, Muriel taught in several rural Iowa schools until school board rules didn't allow her to continue, because at that time married women were not allowed to teach. Muriel taught grades K-8. She often spoke of her love for the students and how keeping the fire in the wood burning stove going was the worst part. Muriel married William ☐Bud☐ McIntosh, Jr. of Honey Creek,

Iowa on June 1, 1946 at the Altamont Baptist Church near Cuppy's Grove in Shelby County. Coming from a family of five brothers, Muriel looked forward to the addition of Bud's six sisters. Bud and Muriel lived and farmed in rural Honey Creek their entire married life and were blessed with three children; Sharon, Bruce and Joyce. At the age of seven, Muriel realized her love for the Lord as she attended church with a neighbor. She continued practicing her faith and was a long-time member of the First Baptist Church in Missouri Valley, Iowa. She enjoyed Bible study and taught Sunday and Vacation Bible School. From the young age of eight, and well into her eighties, Muriel raised chickens, selling eggs to friends and neighbors. For many years, she furnished the chickens for her Church's annual chicken pot pie supper. Muriel worked side-by-side with Bud; milking cows, driving tractors and throwing hay. She had a large orchard, garden, strawberry and raspberry patches, freezing and canning until the cupboards were full—nothing went to waste. Pies were Muriel's specialty. Each year your birthday pie was made to order. Homemade ice cream and mashed potato doughnuts were other favorites. Her grandchildren couldn't wait until Grandma made doughnuts—and usually took a bag home to enjoy later. Muriel enjoyed socializing at family gatherings, class reunions and church events. She traveled with family and friends to Canada, Colorado, South Dakota, and Washington. Muriel loved crocheting; making each child and grandchild their own afghan from colors they selected. She appreciated life's simple pleasures, reading the newspaper, working crossword puzzles and cutting out the weather/astronomy information. She also cut out newspaper "funnies" to make her grandchildren comic books. She instilled an appreciation for nature in her children and grandchildren, catching fire flies, katydids and caterpillars; then letting them go free. In their later years, Bud and Muriel spent countless hours watching the birds and butterflies together from their kitchen window. Muriel was preceded in death by her parents, Carl and Stella (Lee) Klindt; her husband William; sons-in-law Russell Foster and

Kenneth York; brother Lee and wife Bernice Klindt, brother David Klindt, sister-in-law Phyllis Klindt, father and mother-in-law J. William and Edith (League) McIntosh; brothers/sisters-in-law Bill and Maude Stephens, Perry and Dorothy Jensen, Don and Gladys Morrison, Cliff and Jean Morrison, Clifford and Wilma Burdick (Paul Botos), Charlie and Tresse Botos, and Bernard and Nellie Honeywell. Left to cherish her memory include her children Sharon Foster of Griswold, Iowa and friend Vern Kinnison, Bruce and Pam McIntosh of Honey Creek, Iowa, and Joyce York of Honey Creek, Iowa, brother Max Klindt of Avoca, Iowa, sister-in-law Wilma Jean Klindt of Avoca, Iowa, brothers/sisters-in-laws Ralph and wife Alice of Avoca, Iowa and James and wife Margy Klindt of Atlantic, Iowa. Grandchildren and great-grandchildren include Doug Foster and Bonnie Orfield of Atlantic, Iowa and sons Jordan and Lucas; Greg and Edelina Foster of Sultan, Washington and children Nikole, Marissa, and Mathugh; Chris and Jaynie (Foster) Heuton of Wiota, Iowa, Chris and Megan (McIntosh) Odell of Honey Creek, Iowa and children Finnegan and Rylee; Ron and Tricia McIntosh of Papillion, Nebraska and son Brekken; Regg and Jill (McIntosh) Carnes of Crescent, Iowa and son Gavin; Keith and Tricia Thomas of Omaha, Nebraska; many nieces and nephews; her friend Rich Foster and many other friends, all of whom brought her great joy.