



Evelyn Sowers

September 7, 1927 - November 22, 2015

The funeral service for Evelyn Elisabeth Sowers of Wadena, will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, December 2, at the First Congregational United Church of Christ in Wadena, with James Stoneman presiding. Visitation will be held at the church on Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. until the time of service. Evelyn passed away peacefully at the Fair Oaks Lodge, Wadena, MN, Sunday, Nov. 22, 2015.

Evelyn was born on September 7, 1927, near Oylen, MN, to parents Andrew and Elisabeth (Meyer) Anderson. She graduated from Wadena High School and lived with her father on the family farm. While there, she created a special bond with her nieces and nephews. Evelyn married Richard Sowers on June 1, 1960, at the Christian Missionary & Alliance Church in Oylen. She and Richard lived on his farm until moving to Wadena and eventually building their home where she lived for many years. Their son, Steven, was born in September 1961, and tragically died in an automobile accident in December 1981.

Evelyn was a homemaker and a great baker, known as the "Cake Lady". Throughout her life she baked hundreds of cakes of all kinds for birthdays, graduations, weddings & anniversaries. Whatever the occasion she could make a cake for it. You never left her home without having a cup of coffee and a goodie hot out of the oven. Even the fuel oil delivery person went away with

cookies in his hand. Her other pastimes were spent making jams and jellies and canning vegetables & fruits from her garden, that she had just picked. She was a member of the First Congregational UCC and The Order of the Eastern Star.

Evelyn is survived by her step-sons and step-daughters Walt (Lucille) Sowers, Poplar, Phyllis (Ralph) Nietzert, Grand Junction, CO, Edith (Dwight) Dobson, Bluffton, Anita (Rueben) Schultz, Perham, Dick (Joyce) Sowers, Becker; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews Liz Bennett, Chehalis, WA, Jeanne Nichols, Vail, AZ, Mike (Brenda) Szepanski, Chehalis, WA, Angie Summers, Bakersfield, CA, and Jeff (Lynett) Kendall, Benton, ME.

She was preceded in death by her parents; son Steven; husband Richard in July 1987; sisters Agnes (Walt) Szepanski and Margaret (Doug) Kendall; nephews-in-law Charles Bennett and Roy Nichols; along with great-grandson Patrick Maher.

The family wishes to thank all who took time out of their day to visit with Evelyn at her home and in the care facilities. Special thanks for the care that was given to Evelyn by the Comfort Care Cottages staff and to a one-of-a-kind friend Arleen Paulson.

Burial will be in Poplar Cemetery, near Poplar, MN.

Cemetery Details

Poplar Cemetery

north of Motley on Hwy 64
Cass County, MN

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 2. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Congregational United Church of Christ
Colfax Ave. & 1st St. SW
Wadena, MN 56482

Service

DEC 2. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JA

“ *JoAnn Anderson lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Sowers*



JoAnn Anderson - November 28, 2015 at 07:19 PM

DT

“ *Sympathy on behalf of our parents who are gone, Ralph and Birdie Heern. They were friends of the family since they were all young. Donna Trana, Wadena and Wanda Marquardt, Duluth, MN.*

Donna Trana - November 28, 2015 at 11:21 AM

BW

“ *Bob & Phyllis Wilkening lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Sowers*



Bob & Phyllis Wilkening - November 25, 2015 at 08:48 AM

MS

“ *Mike And Lea Snyder lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Sowers*



Mike and Lea Snyder - November 25, 2015 at 07:25 AM

TK

“ *Tammie Klawitter lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Sowers*



Tammie Klawitter - November 24, 2015 at 09:08 AM

KS

Evelyn was our neighbor growing up. She patiently taught me how to decorate a cake, from making roses to elevating a second level with stemware. Even though I can't bake a lick, if someone else makes the cake and frosting, I can still decorate it. She knew that my passion was not in the baking and focused her energies on teaching me the things I enjoyed. Nothing I ever created looked as lovely as her work, including my wedding cake way back in 1978, which she did to perfection. She was a kind, gentle soul and will never be replicated.

- Kathy (Olson) Sletten

Kathy Sletten - December 01, 2015 at 08:58 AM