



## Aileen Ruth Anderson

September 18, 1934 - November 11, 2024

CEDAR FALLS-Aileen Ruth Anderson, 90, died Monday, November 11, 2024 at her home in Cedar Falls.

She was born September 18, 1934, in Delhi, Iowa, the daughter of Thomas and Mary Eggimann Grapes. She graduated from Delhi High School in 1952 and later Cedar Rapids Business School. On September 26, 1953, she was united in marriage to Iver "Ike" Anderson at the Little Brown Church in Nashua, IA. She was employed with the Cedar Falls Chamber of Commerce for 30 years.

Aileen is survived by her husband, Ike of Cedar Falls; three daughters, Deanna (Marty) Hughes of Waterloo, Becky (Emmet) Brody of West Des Moines, and Chris (Alan) Boone of Indianola; son, Dennis (Lynne) Anderson of Southlake, TX; ten grandchildren, Jennifer Hughes, Vanessa Brody, Aaron Brody, Erica (Zack) Hein, Brooke Anderson, Paige (Gino) Ricchio, August Anderson, Adam (Anna) Boone, Andy (Betsy) Boone, and Abby (Aaron Schnell) Boone; and eight great grandchildren, Cameron Clayton, Emerson Hein, Nathan Hein, Max Boone, Felix Boone, Paden Boone, Milly Boone, and Lucy Boone. Preceded in death by her parents; and siblings, Mildred Gaddie, Wilma Harbach, Hubert Grapes, Hazel Knott, Letha Bacon, Robert Grapes, Bernita Ireland Grey, Delbert Grapes.

Private family services will occur, with interment in the Fairview Cemetery, Cedar Falls. Online condolences may be left at: [www.richardsonfuneralservice.com](http://www.richardsonfuneralservice.com). Memorial contributions may be directed to First United Methodist

Church Cedar Falls, Cedar Falls Women's Club, and Cedar Valley Hospice.

# Cemetery Details

## **Fairview Cemetery**

12th and Division Streets  
Cedar Falls, IA 50613  
(319) 273-8628

# Tribute Wall

JV

“ So thankful for the wonderful memories of our years in Delhi School. My sincere sympathy to Ike.

Jo Ann (Preussner) Veith - November 20, 2024 at 10:20 AM

DL

“ Ike and family, so sorry for your loss! Our sincere sympathy! John and Doris Lang

doris Lang - November 18, 2024 at 01:01 PM

GR

“ Aileen and Ike arriving at my Grandma Haz's house was always cause for celebration. I remember hearing them say "HELLO!" as they came in the back door and then everyone else cheering "Hello Ike and Aileen!" as soon as we could see them make it up the back stairs and into view in the kitchen. I also remember that Aileen's voice sounded just like Haz, and that we always laughed so much when they were with us. Ike, my heart is with you.



Gretchen (Carol's daughter)

gretchen - November 16, 2024 at 07:05 PM

PL

“ Aunt Aileen, the baby of all the Grapes, was always happy when Ike was hauling her and her sisters on hundreds of vacations and family visits. Her smile always reminded me of her sister Hazel, my mom, and she could always be counted on to light up the room around her.

*Pat Lahr*

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**Pat Lahr** - November 15, 2024 at 11:33 PM

SR

“ So sorry to hear of Aileen’s passing. Her sister Wilma was my grandma (who daughter Lela was my mom). In 1981 I moved to Cedar Rapids and kept in touch with Hazel and was a bonus if there was a reunion that brought any of the sisters together. It was always a delight to be around all of those Grapes’ sisters. I remember in 1992 we were in Florida and looked up Mildred and it happened to be the same time that Ike had driven the Iowa sisters down for their annual visit. We had so many laughs that night! I enjoyed exchanging Christmas cards with Aileen over the years and she would tease me that I always miss spelled her name assuring me I was not the only one. She loved family and was such a joy to be around. She will be forever in our hearts.

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**Sharon (Sands) Robbins** - November 15, 2024 at 10:17 PM

TG

“ Sorry for your loss. Aunt Aileen was so special.

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**Tom Gaddie** - November 15, 2024 at 03:56 PM

SS

*Aileen was one of a kind and I treasure the times we shared on the Cedar Falls Ambassadors meetings. Ike, you picked a winner. All my best wishes to the family.*

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**Steve Schomaker** - November 25, 2024 at 09:34 PM

JS

“ Aileen was loved by all. She was a wonderful mom, grandma and great grandma. I am so proud she was my aunt. She loved her family endlessly. I'm so glad I got to see her beautiful smile and spent time with her, Ike and Dee just a few weeks ago. Our love and prayers are with your family during this hard time. Please know we are here for you if you need us. Sending all our love to my uncle Ike and all my cousins.  
Love, Joannie and Curt



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**Joannie Stainbrook** - November 15, 2024 at 12:20 PM

NK

“ I met Aileen and Ike at FUMC . Aileen was always so friendly and wore a smile. Aileen as I say was an "icon" at church. Her faith was shown in all that she did and meeting others along her way. My faith in knowing her grew because of the example of life she was.  
My deepest sympathy Ike and family.

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**Nancy A Klodt** - November 14, 2024 at 04:41 PM

JG

*I knew her from church but they were also our neighbors...*

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**Jo GRaover** - November 23, 2024 at 07:20 PM

JP

“ I have fond memories of good times spent with Ike and Aileen. We shared many fun times together. She will be missed by all who knew her. Jim Peterson

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**James L. Peterson** - November 14, 2024 at 03:06 PM

RT

“ I remember playing Basketball with Aileen when Delhi and Oneida (the school I went to) played in the 1950s. We became reacquainted when my husband and I moved to Cedar Falls in 1967. Spent many hours with Aileen working in the church kitchen.

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**Ruth Fenstermann Tucker** - November 14, 2024 at 01:40 PM

SS

*Aileen was one of the sweetest souls ever put on this earth and I am honored to have known her. I enjoyed her smile and the many years we spent on the the Cedar Falls Ambassadors. Ike, you picked a winner. Best wishes to her family. Steve Schomaker*

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**Steve Schomaker** - November 25, 2024 at 09:28 PM