



## Edna C Madsen

October 15, 1931 - March 25, 2021

CEDAR FALLS-Edna “Edie” Madsen, 89, of Cedar Falls, died Thursday, March 25, 2021 at MercyOne-Waterloo.

She was born October 15, 1931, the second daughter of Grover Cleveland and Ada Mannasmith Crossley in Ottumwa, IA. The family moved to Cedar Falls where she graduated from Cedar Falls High School in 1949. On June 25, 1949 she married Arnold “Bud” Madsen at First United Methodist Church in Cedar Falls. They enjoyed almost 72 full years of marriage together. After her children were grown, she embarked on pursuing her college education beginning in her early 40’s . A “non traditional” student at UNI, she graduated with honors and 2 BA degrees in Speech and English. She then taught at Waverly-Shell Rock High School and while teaching also completed a Masters degree in Guidance and Counseling. She continued her professional career at Wartburg College and continued her own studies, ultimately specializing in School Psychology. She spent her later career years as a consultant school psychologist for what was known as Area 7 Education Agency.

She is survived by her husband Bud; daughter, Kay (Roger) Clayton of Waterloo; son Craig Madsen of Rocky Mt. MO; seven grandchildren; and six great grandchildren. Preceded in death by her parents and two sisters. She was devoted to her family and a shining example of an avid life learner, passing on both her curiosity and love of reading. She especially delighted in finding special books for the grandchildren.

Services will be 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, March 31, 2021 at the Richardson Funeral Service, with interment in the Greenwood Cemetery, both Cedar Falls. Visitation will be one hour prior to the services. Memorial contributions to be determined at a later date. Online condolences may be left at [www.richardsonfuneralservice.com](http://www.richardsonfuneralservice.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Greenwood Cemetery

the end of College St, north of First Street  
Cedar Falls, IA 50613  
(319) 273-8628

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAR 31.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Richardson Funeral Service  
615 Main Street  
Cedar Falls, IA 50613  
(319) 266-3525  
richardsonfuneralservice@gmail.com  
<http://richardson.funeralplan2.com>

## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Edna was a wonderful sister to my mom Priscilla Cagley and a wonderful Aunt ! We will always have fond memories of childhood growing up and how strong Edna was when our Mothers time came! She remained devoted by her bedside to the end reading her poetry...She will always be remembered as a Loving and kind Aunt! She will be missed by many but is in Heaven with her sisters now. In loving memory, The Cagleys Kids!*

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**Eva Marie Cagley** - March 30, 2021 at 04:59 PM

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“ *We were sorry to hear of Edna's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

*Clair and Marilyn Bruce*

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**Clair Bruce** - March 30, 2021 at 02:51 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Edna C Madsen.*



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March 29, 2021 at 02:52 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Edna C Madsen.*



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March 28, 2021 at 02:56 PM



“ *Lifes lessons teach us many things, not the least is death releases the pain and suffering. Edie fought through the physical pain with the courage that she lived by, hanging onto each moment. Let this be part of our memories of her. It will be mine.*

*Left off the obituary Kay wrote: Edie was devoted to her family and a shining example of an avid life long learner, passing on both her curiosity and love of reading. She especially delighted in finding special books for the grandchildren.*

*Roger*

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**Roger Clayton** - March 28, 2021 at 11:16 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Edna C Madsen.*



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March 27, 2021 at 02:22 PM

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“ *Jim Stoneman and Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Edna C Madsen.*



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**Jim Stoneman and Family** - March 27, 2021 at 12:17 PM