



Mary Backens

April 13, 1921 - August 28, 2012

Mary E. Backens (1921-2012)

CEDAR FALLS- Mary E. Backens, 91, of Waterloo died Tuesday, August 28, 2012, at NewAldaya Lifescapes.

She was born April 13, 1921 in Cedar Falls, daughter of Fred A. and Vesta "Mina" (Corwin) Crane. She married Kenneth F. Backens on June 28, 1941 in Cedar Falls.

She attended Iowa State Teachers College (UNI) and was a homemaker throughout her adult life.

Survived by: two sons, Donald (Chris) and Eric, both of Rapid City, SD; five grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; two brothers, Fred Crane of Cedar Falls and Terry Crane of Ankeny and one sister, Irene of Cedar Falls.

Preceded in death by: one brother, Jim Crane; and one son, Kenny F. Backens.

Services: 10:30 a.m. Friday at St. Patrick Catholic Church with burial in Greenwood Cemetery, both in Cedar Falls. Visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday at Richardson Funeral Service and also for one hour prior to

services Friday at the church.

Memorials may be directed to: church

Condolences may be left at www.richardsonfuneralservice.com.

Tribute Wall

DG

“ My deepest condolences to the Backens family for your loss. She was such a kind and caring woman and I am glad to have met her. I was hoping to stop by with my son, Caden, and say hello next weekend but I was too late. I'll miss you "Gramcracker B".

Douglas Gahan - March 29, 2013 at 02:49 PM

DP

“ Don, Eric,
Sorry to hear of your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Denny Pepin - March 29, 2013 at 02:49 PM

CW

“ To the Backen family, our deepest sympathies for your loss of Betty. Her kindness has never been forgotten and will always be remembered. Sincerely, the great grandchildren of Elizabeth Corwin nee Engleman.

Connie Westcott - March 29, 2013 at 02:49 PM

JB

“ Donald, Eric and families, So sorry for your loss and the loss to the rest of us. Mary Lou and I always had wonderful visits with Aunt Bettie and Uncle Ken when we were in Waterloo. The memories of growing up will always be with me.

Jerry Backens - March 29, 2013 at 02:49 PM

PV

“ Don & Chris,Rick,and families..Kenny's family too.you have my deepest sympathy,and prayers. We all know that at long last that lady we love will rest in peace. Her Mass was perfect,just as she would have wanted. Your cousin Pat

Pat Vognsen - March 29, 2013 at 02:49 PM

GB

“ So Sorry to hear about Aunt Bettie...Our thoughts and prayers are with all the family.

Gary and Gloria Brantley - March 29, 2013 at 02:49 PM