



Muriel Kathryn (Hoogeveen) LeMonds was born October 9, 1928, in Doon, Iowa to Henry and Clara (Bick) Hoogeveen. Muriel graduated from Doon High School in 1946. She attended Iowa State Teachers College (Now UNI), Cedar Falls, Iowa and Westmar College, LeMars, Iowa.

She taught for a time at a Country School. On January 7, 1948, she married Robert Vincent LeMonds. In 1950

Muriel and Vince purchased the Doon Locker Plant. Over the years they acquired the grocery store and their business became known as Vince's Clover Farm. Muriel was a hard worker and continued to work at the grocery store into her 90's.

She was a member of the First Community Church of Hope (Formerly Doon Congregational and First Methodist Church), a member of the Doon Women's Club for over 65 years, the American Legion and various card groups. She always had a large garden and supplied her family and friends with fresh produce. Along with being a fan of the Minnesota Twins baseball team and the Iowa Hawkeyes, she enjoyed attending her grandchildren's activities. Muriel loved playing games and watching game shows. She looked forward to Friday Bingo at RiverView Ridge.

Muriel lived most of her life in Doon, other than part of her childhood on the family farm south of Lester, Iowa until moving to RiverView Ridge Assisted Living in Rock Valley, Iowa in 2022. Muriel passed away at Riverview Ridge on Tuesday, February 20, 2024, at the age of 95.

Muriel was preceded in death by her husband; parents; sister, Gwendolyn Ditzel; brothers, James Hoogeveen and Jack Hoogeveen; brother-in-law, Roger Ditzel; and sister-in-law, Delores Hoogeveen.

She is survived by her 5 children: Janet (Robert) Steenblock of Fremont, Nebraska, Eloise (Robert) DeKam, Robert "Bob" LeMonds, both of Doon, Marilyn (Brant) VandeKop of Rock Rapids, Iowa, and Beverly (Darrell) Vande Vegte of Doon; 18 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren with 1 on the way, and 1 great-great grandchild with 2 on the way!; 2 sisters-in-law, Barbara Hoogeveen and Ivy Bolt; along with nieces, nephews, and cousins.

*In Loving Memory*  
***Muriel Kathryn LeMonds***

*October 9, 1928 ~ February 20, 2024*

**FUNERAL SERVICE**

11:00 AM, Monday, February 26, 2024

First Community Church of Hope

Doon, Iowa

**OFFICIANT**

Pastor Jim Sweers

**PIANIST**

Vel Bahrenfuss

**MUSICAL SELECTIONS**

*"Amazing Grace"*

*"In the Garden"*

*"How Great Thou Art"*

**PALLBEARERS**

Rob Steenblock ~ Timothy LeMonds

Bobby DeKam ~ Doug LeMonds

Austin Vande Vegte ~ Charles Hoogeveen

**MEMORIAL**

First Community Church of Hope

**INTERMENT**

Hillside Cemetery

Doon, Iowa

*Muriel's family invites everyone for a time of food and fellowship, downstairs, in the church fellowship hall, following the committal service at the cemetery.*

# *The Broken Chain Poem*

*By Ron Tranmer*

*We little knew the day,  
God was going to call your name.  
In life we loved you dearly,  
In death, we do the same.*

*It broke our hearts to lose you.  
You did not go alone.  
For part of us went with you,  
The day God called you home.*

*You left us beautiful memories,  
Your love is still our guide.  
And although we cannot see you,  
You are always at our side.*

*Our family chain is broken,  
And nothing seems the same,  
But as God calls us one by one,  
the chain will link again.*



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