



Agnes Nelva Van Zee-Damkot, daughter of August and Alice (Kragt) Katje, was born March 19, 1927 at Orange City, Iowa. She was raised in Orange City and attended Orange City Christian School and Orange City High School. Agnes married Alvin “Kooze” Van Zee on April 20, 1948. They made their home in Rock Valley, Iowa where

Alvin worked and was a partner at Rock Valley Cement, Block & Tile. Alvin died August 14, 1966.

On November 13, 1981, Agnes married Warren Damkot. The couple lived in Tenstrike, Minnesota where they owned and operated Birch Haven Campground. Agnes and Warren loved fishing, golfing, and playing shuffleboard. They wintered in Weslaco, Texas. Warren died March 23, 2002. Agnes remained living in Minnesota for the summers and Texas in the winters for several years.

Agnes moved to the Christian Retirement Home in Sheldon, Iowa. While there she enjoyed playing cards, fixing puzzles and visiting with others. She also enjoyed being around her children and grandchildren. In 2017 she moved to Aspen Heights in Hull, Iowa. In May 2021 Agnes moved to Whispering Heights in Rock Valley. Agnes died on Tuesday, August 31, 2021, at Whispering Heights in Rock Valley at the age of 94 years.

She is survived by her 3 children, Dennis (Diane) Van Zee of Rock Valley, Ruth Van Zee of Denver, Colorado, David Van Zee of Hamilton, Michigan; daughter-in-law, Denise Van Zee of Clarksville, Tennessee; step-daughter, Susan Smith of Sheboygan, Wisconsin; 9 grandchildren; 2 step-grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; 4 step-great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Agnes was preceded in death by her parents, August and Alice; husbands, Alvin Van Zee and Warren Damkot; son, Randy Van Zee; brothers, Frank Katje and Gerald Katje; sister, Agnes Ruth Katje; and sisters-in-law, Edna Katje and Louise Katje.

In Loving Memory
Agnes Van Zee-Damkot
March 19, 1927 ~ August 31, 2021

FUNERAL SERVICE

2:30 PM, Saturday, September 4, 2021
Porter Funeral Home
Rock Valley, Iowa

OFFICIATING

Rev. Gideon Wamala
Calvin Christian Reformed Church

PIANIST

Vonnie Van Ginkel

REFLECTIONS

Ruth Van Zee ~ Sara Johnson

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

“What A Day That Will Be”
“God Be With You Till We Meet Again”

SPECIAL MUSIC

“It Is Well, With My Soul”
Rachelle Vanden Bos, soloist

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Jennifer Rus ~ Sara Johnson ~ Rachel Carlson
Cory Van Zee ~ Nicole Van Zee

PALLBEARERS

Jeremy Van Zee ~ Mark Van Zee
Brent Rus ~ Steve Van Zee
Aaron Van Zee ~ Travis Johnson

INTERMENT

Valley View Cemetery
Rock Valley, Iowa

THE HEIDELBERG CATECHISM LORD'S DAY 1

Q 1. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

*A 1. That I am not my own
but belong—
body and soul,
in life and in death—
to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.*

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me whole-heartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.



Peaceful Memories