



Verna Boer, the daughter of Frank and Anna (Van Sloten) De Graaff, was born on February 27, 1926, on the farm just east of Rock Valley. She moved very often when she was young, living in Doon, Hull, Carmel, and Rock Valley. Verna was baptized in the Reformed Church in Doon. She attended different schools in her younger years and then graduated from Rock Valley Public School in May of 1943. She married Wilbur (Bill) Boer on February 19, 1946, in Luverne, Minnesota. She worked at Roelofs Store, taught country school, worked in a hospital in Boise, Idaho, and a defense department plant in Chicago, Illinois. Verna worked at Valley Pharmacy for Del and June Knobloch for 29 years where she made a lot of very good friends and was known as the "Queen of the Dustpan". Bill

and Verna moved into Rock Valley in October of 1989 and lived there until they moved into Whispering Heights on January 31, 2014. Bill passed away on September 25, 2015.

She was known by many people for the many loaves of homemade bread and buns that she made and brought to other people. Verna loved taking care of Harper (Jenny's dog) at the nursing home and did not like it when Harper was by someone else too long. She loved patriotic songs and always chose them at sing along at Whispering Heights. Verna had always said that she wanted to live longer than anyone in her family and the Lord granted her wish. She was blessed. Verna passed away Thursday, December 29, 2022, at Whispering Heights at the age of 96.



Verna is survived by her children, Keith (Doris) Boer of Rock Valley, Iowa, Marjorie De Kam of Rock Valley, Iowa, Leslie (Pam) Boer of Harrisburg, South Dakota, Bill B. (Aletha) Boer of Sibley, Iowa; 11 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; 4 great-great-grandchildren; 10 step-grandchildren; 31 step-great-grandchildren; 6 step-great-great-grandchildren; sister, Alma Van Aalsburg; and numerous nieces and nephews.



Verna was preceded in death by her husband, Bill; her parents, Frank and Anna; son-in-law, Jim De Kam; great granddaughter, Katie Lynn De Kam of Erica and Steve; brothers, Frances (Maggie), Donald (Reynolla), William, Mitchell (Gladys), Harold (Shirley), Elmer; sisters, Josephine (John) Peters, Angeline (John) Oolbekkink, Betty, and Minnie; brother-in-law, Jerry Van Aalsburg; and numerous De Graaff and Boer relatives.

Remembering the Life of Verna Boer

February 27, 1926 ~ December 29, 2022

FUNERAL SERVICE

1:00 PM, Wednesday, January 4, 2023
First Reformed Church
Rock Valley, Iowa

OFFICIATING

Rev. Harlan De Jong

ORGANIST

Ruth Vande Stroet

FAMILY REFLECTIONS

Sandi Breuer

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

"My Country, 'Tis of Thee" #550
"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" #2
"When upon Life's Billows" #539

PALLBEARERS

Ken De Kam ~ Cliff De Kam
Rod De Kam ~ Jared Boer
James De Kam ~ Steve De Kam ~ Rylie Boer

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Patty Haak ~ Erica Mentele
Sandi Breuer ~ Maria Van Den Top
Verna's Step-Grandchildren

INTERMENT

Valley View Cemetery
Rock Valley, Iowa

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

Verna's Family Tree

Children:

Keith & Doris Boer

Greg & Jodi Rus

Brittany & Cole Nelson (Camdyn, Grayson, Oaklyn), Jaedyn,
Brendan (Barrett), Dylan, Kinsley

Mark & Shelley Rus

Alec & Kirsten Rus (Adilynne), Trenton, Kamryn

Brent & Jennifer Rus

Braelee & Bradyn Davelaar (Wrynlee), Jaxon, Mitaya, Teague

Denise & Jeremy Van Zee

Tycen, Grady

Mindy & Joel Vander Waal

Jacie, Kyla, Makailyn, Haidyn, Taiven, Devin

Marj De Kam

Ken & Laura De Kam

Kendall, Kaitlyn & Caleb White (Abel, Eli)

Cliff & Sara De Kam

Jennifer, Gregory, Stephanie, Larissa, Shawna

Patty & Kelly Haak

Austin & Rachel Haak

Rod & Twila De Kam

Shannon & Mark Van Maanen (Logan, Ethan), Erin

Sandi & Chad Breuer

Kadence

James & Alisa De Kam

Anna & Jacob Van Voorst, Jeffrey, Jamie, Aric, Jenna

Steve & April De Kam

Noah, Gavin

Maria & Alex Van Den Top

Bristol, Kamden

Les & Pam Boer

Erica & Steve Mentele

Christopher, Joshua, Elizabeth, Catherine, Samuel, Isabella,
Philip

Jared & Vicki Boer

Tyson, Chloe

Bill Bruce & Aletha Boer

Rylie Boer

Jeremiah & Stacy Schutte

Jemma, Jamin, Jalayna

Rachel Wilcinot

Samuel, Eden

Timothy & Jasmina Schutte

Zalia, Theodore

Bethany Schutte

Jenessa & Carl Amundson

Juniper, Magnolia, Zelkoven, Hawthorn

In Loving Memory



Verna Muriel Boer

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