



Remembering The Life Of...

Erma "Toots" Inez Fankhanel was born on July 11, 1932 to Herman and Inez (Baumgartner) Fankhanel in rural Barnesville, MN. She grew up on the family farm in Atherton Township and attended country school. She attended St. James Church as a little girl. All her life she has been an active member. She was an avid quilt maker, guild member, and deaconess.

Erma met Leland Egge while picking potatoes on the Ernst Farm. The couple was united in marriage on October 23, 1949, at the German Church in Barnesville. She and Leland were married for 72 years, until Leland's passing in 2021. They made their home in Barnesville where they raised their children.

For many years Leland and Erma's home and business were located at the corner of Highway 9, just as you enter Barnesville. Erma grew many varieties of showy flowers in the midst of her beautiful green lawn and trees. Many people over the years stopped to admire them, and she often received postcards simply addressed: To The Flower Lady.

Erma also worked at Thompson's Greenhouse in Barnesville. She loved planting seedlings in the spring, and designing baskets to sell through the summer. She was knowledgeable of plants and shared her passion with much enthusiasm!

She and Leland moved to the 'orange house' several years ago where Erma quickly planted a new flower garden. Erma loved life, and had many interests in the span of her 91 years. When Leland passed away, she continued to live in the new home she loved. In each new season of her life, she stayed with the times. Over the years she was an avid seamstress, loved to read, and to participate with family, friends, church, and community.

Erma is survived by her six children: Donna (Jay) McEvers, of Vergas, MN, Duane (Joan) Egge, of Moorhead, MN, Debora (Keith) Ernst, of Fargo, ND, David (Laura) Egge, of Barnesville, MN, Darcy (Steve) Barry, of Barnesville, MN, and Deann (Troy) Hendee, of Springfield, MO; 13 grandchildren; 8 great grandchildren; and 1 great great granddaughter, siblings Virgil Fankhanel, of Barnesville, MN, DeLyle Fankhanel, of Barnesville, MN, LaVonne (Marvin) Nicklay of Fargo, and numerous nieces and nephews, other relatives, and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband Leland, grandson Jared Egge, her parents Herman and Inez Fankhanel, two sisters Janice Fankhanel and Rolene Nicklay, brother Arnold Fankhanel, sister-in-law June Fankhanel, and several other in laws.

Erma Egge died on Saturday, June 1, 2024 at ValleyCare and Rehab in Barnesville, MN at the age of 91 years, 10 months, and 21 days.

May Her Memory Be Blessed



In Celebration For The Life Of



Erma Inez Egge

July 11, 1932 - June 1, 2024





As beautiful as a rose to see,
 Was her life she lived
 so *Gracefully*
 She made things
 precious by her *touch,*
 Her selfless love lives on in each of us.
 The petals of her life fell one by one,
 Each a *gift of her heart*
 Yet her radiance blooms once again
 In *Fields of Glory*
 with no end.



In Loving Memory of Erma Inez Egge

Funeral Service

Thursday, June 6, 2024, 2:00 PM
 St. James United Church of Christ
 Barnesville, Minnesota

Officiating

Pastor John Werner

Music

Rosie Carr ~ Special Music

Selections

"In The Garden"

"On Eagles Wings"

Congregational Hymns

"Amazing Grace"

"How Great Thou Art"

Pallbearers

David Ernst Robert Ernst
 Shane Egge Sandy Erlandson
 Cody Egge Kari Fankhanel

Honorary Pallbearers

Jesse Egge Tawnia Prince
 Tamara Halligan Timothy Barry
 Patrick Barry Caurisa Peyton
 Jordon Hendee Caden Hendee
 The late Jerad Egge

Interment

Gran Lutheran Cemetery
 rural Barnesville, Minnesota

Appreciation

Erma's family is thankful for your attendance today.
 Your many expressions of kindness and love are deeply
 appreciated. Please join family and friends for refreshments
 following the service.

Arrangements Entrusted to
 Dobmeier Funeral Home
 Barnesville, Minnesota

