

Grace King, 90

July 7, 1922 - May 4, 2013

HANCOCK — Grace Marie King, daughter of August and Mary Helga (Nampa) Fredrickson, was born on July 7, 1922 in Hancock, MI. She attended Hancock Public Schools where in her senior year she was crowned queen of the Copper Country Ice Festival. As a young woman, she attended the Augustana School of Nursing in Chicago, IL. Upon certification, she became a governess for the children of the Ash family from 1942 to 1944.

January 12, 1944, Grace was united in marriage to Dwight Wylie King in Chicago. After their marriage, they made their home in San Francisco, CA where Wylie was stationed in the Navy. After his discharge from the U. S. Navy, the couple returned to Iowa and made their home on the King family farm outside of Hancock. Grace was a city girl who soon became a farmer's wife working right beside her husband. Grace was a devoted wife and loving mother of three children. She became active in Young Republicans serving on many campaigns and as Chairman of the Republic Women's Organization. She served on many State and Presidential Campaigns up until her retirement in the fall of 2012. She was a lifelong member of the Hancock United Methodist Church working with the MYF, the Women's Society and serving on the board of trustees. She also served on many other committees at both the local and state level for the Iowa Methodist Conference. As her children grew older, she was the leader of the Hancock Happy Hoppers girls 4-H Organization. She was a member of the Eastern Star in Oakland and volunteered over 2000 hours at Jennie Edmundson Hospital in Council Bluffs. She enjoyed beautiful flowers and beautiful music. Grace died on Saturday, May 4, 2013 at Orchard Park in Denver, CO having attained the age of 90 years, 9 months and 27 days.

Along with her parents, Grace was preceded in death by her brothers Robert, Donald and Rudy. She is survived by her husband of 69 years Wylie King of Hancock; daughters Mary Grace and her husband Calvin McMurray of Deer Mountain, UT and Rebecca A. and her husband George Dreman of Denver, CO; son David W. King and his wife Debbie of Denver, CO; six grandchildren; four great grandchildren; sister Barbara Jackson of Lake Linden, MI; nieces and nephews, other relatives and friends.

Rev. Melissa Drake officiated the 11:00 a.m. funeral service at the Hancock United Methodist Church on Saturday, May 11, 2013. JoAnne Dea was the accompanist. Honorary casket bearers were: Don Scheffler, Joe Hoover, Bob



Jacobsen, and Kenneth Martin. Burial was held in the Oak Hill Cemetery in Hancock with Jim Scheffler, Calvin McMurray, William Hardisty, Alan Downs, Les Guyer, and Shane Hoepner serving as casket bearers.

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