

## Elaine Meiners, 81

May 24, 1930 - Aug. 18, 2011

**MANILLA** — Elaine Mildred, daughter of John and Anna (Kuhl) Foxhoven, was born May 24, 1930 in Defiance. She attended school there until 1942 when she moved with her parents to Manilla. She graduated from Manilla High School in 1948.

Elaine was united in marriage with Eddie Meiners on December 28, 1948 at the Sacred Heart Church in Manilla. Four sons were born to this union. Eddie and Elaine farmed in the Manilla and Manning areas for most of their lives and for a short time in Ricketts. They retired and moved into Manilla in 1987. Elaine was a member of Sacred Heart Parish in Manilla. In earlier years, Elaine and Eddie enjoyed going to dances in the area. Later on



they enjoyed playing cards and took many pleasant trips to the casinos in the area. Elaine especially enjoyed making quilts for her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. She also embroidered baptismal gowns for the newborns of Sacred Heart Parish. Above all, Elaine took pleasure in spending time with her family and special niece Norma Jean Kloewer of Stuart. After the death of her husband in 2003, Elaine was able to remain in their home until May of 2011 when she became a resident of the Manilla Manor Nursing Home. She died there on Thursday, August 18, 2011 at the age of 81 years, 2 months and 25 days.

Preceding Elaine in death are her parents; husband Eddie Meiners; three sons Bobby Meiners, Keith Meiners and Mark Meiners; brothers Clarence Foxhoven and LaVerne Foxhoven and sisters Elvera Foxhoven and LuRene Olson. She is survived by her son Randy Meiners and wife Carla of Pleasant Hill; daughter-in-law Diane Meiners of Lincoln, NE; and daughter-in-law Pat and husband Michael Linn of San Antonio, TX; four grandchildren: Christy and husband Mark Puev; Julie and husband Josh Sovereign; Ben Meiners and Kelsey Meiners; six great-grandchildren: Olivia, Owen, Jillian and Genevieve Sovereign and Alexis and Andrew Puev; one brother Howard Foxhoven and wife Dorothy of Sioux City; two sisters Helen Knott of Omaha, NE and Leona Leslie of Council Bluffs; many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Mass of Christian Burial was held Monday, August 22, 2011, at 10:30 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church in Manilla, with Rev. Robert Galapp, celebrant. Lectors were Mark Puev and Ben Meiners. Mass servers were Jared Vollstedt and Ridge Muhlbauer; gift bearers were her grandchildren and great grandchildren; and Eucharistic Ministers were Deacon Louie Meiners and Jim Kloewer. Musical selections were "How Great Thou Art", "On Eagle's Wings", "Amazing Grace", and "Ave Maria" with Steve Riesselman, soloist, and Sacred Heart Choir and Irene Feilmeier, organist. Casketbear-

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ers were Mark Puev, Josh Sovereign, Ben Meiners, Jon Meiners, Zach Meiners, and Greg Gaskill. Honorary casketbearers were Christy Puev, Julie Sovereign, Kelsey Meiners, and Norma Jean Kloewer. Interment was in the Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Manilla.

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