



Norma L. Heinicke

November 25, 2017

Norma Lee (Payne) Heinicke died in the early morning hours of November 25, 2017. She was 89 years old and a resident of St. Petersburg, Florida.

Norma was born in April 15, 1928 in Louisville, Kentucky to Anna Matilda (Cathcart) and Forrest Lee Huntington Payne.

She is survived by her seven children; Elizabeth Bruns (John) of Eden, Idaho; Stephen (Ann) of Colorado Springs, Colorado; Karen Heinicke-Motsch (Thomas) of Eugene, Oregon; Cheryl Heebner of Grand Prairie, Texas; Janetta of KAUST, Saudi Arabia; Leah (Joe) of Gulfport, Florida; and Brenda (Sabrina) of Seward, Nebraska; Grandchildren Melissa, Angela, Jill, Amanda, Erica, Zachary, Kerstin, and Alexander; as well as her Great Grandchildren Kira, Katherine, Roland, Declan, Eric, and Jeremy; and her sister, Verna.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Rev. Victor E. Heinicke, as well as her siblings John, Forrest, Harvey, Ann, Robert, Richard, Thomas, Howard, James, and Russell.

Norma was born in Louisville, Kentucky and the family moved to New Albany, Indiana. Norma attended Concordia Teachers College, River Forest, Illinois for two years and then taught 1st and 2nd grades at Concordia Lutheran School, Cincinnati, Ohio.

She met her husband, Vic, in 1951 and they were married on June 27, 1954 and subsequently traveled to New Guinea where they were Lutheran missionaries. They lived and worked together at various mission stations in the New Guinea Lutheran Mission until December, 1971.

After Vic's death in 1972, the family moved to Seward, Nebraska, where Norma completed her BS degree at Concordia Teachers College, Seward, Nebraska. She then went on to earn her Master's degree at the University of Nebraska, Lincoln.

She taught Special Education at Seward Middle School until her retirement.

For the past ten years, she resided in St. Petersburg, Florida, continuing to be active in church and community activities.

Norma is remembered for her wit, her quick laugh, her warm hospitality and her strong faith.

A memorial service will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church, St. Petersburg, Florida on Sat. Dec. 2nd at 10:00am.

A later memorial service will be held at St. John's Lutheran Church in Seward, Nebraska.

Memorials may be sent to the PNG Mission Society, P.O. Box 661, Warrensburg, MO 64093 (EIN: 412002387)

The family would like to thank Leah Heinicke for her steadfast and loving care of Norma in her last years. We also thank the Florida Cancer and Research Center and Empath Suncoast Hospice for the excellent care received by Norma.

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“ *The family of Norma L. Heinicke uploaded a photo*

August 19, 2019 at 12:00 AM



“ *Edna and Paul Vasconcellos - Friends posted a condolence Our sincere condolences to all the family. May our victory in our Lord's resurrection be your comfort, hope and strength for all the family. Friends from Seward, Edna and Paul Vasconcellos*

Edna and Paul Vasconcellos - Friends - December 04, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mariette Raubenheimer - Janetta's Friend posted a condolence Dear Janetta and Family, My sincere condolences to you and your family. I know that God will hold you tight in his arms. Always remember the beautiful memories and treasure that. Thinking of you. Love, Mariette*

Mariette Raubenheimer - Janetta's Friend - December 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *Magda Botha - Janetta's friend posted a condolence Dear Janetta and family, my heart goes out to you in this sad time. May you enjoy the beautiful memories of her with fondness, and experience God's peace as He picks you up and carries you through this difficult time. Love, Magda.*

Magda Botha - Janetta's friend - December 01, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ Heidi Brenner - Friend (Janette's) posted a condolence My deepest sympathy and wishes of sincere condolences to all members of the Heinicke family. May you find peace and joy in the celebration of your mother's life.

Heidi Brenner - Friend (Janette's) - November 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ Angela Hasselman - Granddaughter posted a condolence You have a smile that lights up the room, and energy that will forever be people close to you. Even though our family is in enormous, you had a special way of making everybody feel included. From the Fourth of July sleepovers in Seward, to watching pikes Peak, and playing cards you will always be in my heart and my mind. I will love you forever. May her soul Rest In Peace. Xoxo Much love Angela

Angela Hasselman - Granddaughter - November 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM