



## Elsie Block

December 6, 1925 - March 24, 2012

Elsie was born on December 6th, 1925 to Benjamin and Anna Buller, the second of seven children.

Elsie lived in the Henderson area as a child and graduated valedictorian from McCool Junction High School in 1944. After High School, Elsie taught school in York County for two years and then in the Isaac Epp District for one year.

On May 26th, 1946 she married John I Block. During early married years, Elsie and John lived in the Henderson and York areas as well as spending time in California and Oregon before returning to the Henderson area to farm. In 1960 Elsie and John moved to Fairmont to raise their family and became an integral part of the community for more than 30 years.

Elsie lead a very active life being involved in business and the community. She was as an accountant for GK Trucking and West Brothers as well as helping run two family businesses, Block Construction and Block Trailer Sales.

She was also active with the PTA, United Methodist Woman's Group, Pricilla's as well as various other civic organizations.

After many years in Nebraska, Elsie and John retired to Cape Canaveral, Florida in 1989 and enjoyed the warmer weather, walking on the beach and looking for seashells. They also enjoyed watching the space shuttle launches and keeping up activities along the Space Coast. Elsie remained active in the community serving on the Election Board and Homeowners Association Board. After her husband John passed away in 1998, Elsie remained in Florida. She took trips and participated in activities with the Woman Alone

group before returning to Nebraska in the fall of 2005 to be closer to family who were most important to Elsie. She spent many hours creating new memories, playing cards and visiting with family and friends.

Elsie is survived by her 3 sons Jerry and wife Dixie of Beaver Crossing, Joe and wife Connie of Hampton, John of Lucas, TX, 3 daughters Janet and husband Tom Zuhlke of Fairmont, Julie Martin of Fairmont, Joyce Bestol and partner Joe Mattel of LaVeta, CO; brother Abe Buller and wife Alice of Henderson; 3 sisters Olga Kliewer of Henderson, Frieda Noel of Boise, ID, Irene Block of Henderson; 2 sisters-in-law Pat Block of Salem, OR, Susie Buller of Henderson; 12 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband John Block, parents Anna and Benjamin Buller, and brothers Benny and John Buller.

Services for Elsie will be Wednesday, March 28, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at the Fairmont Community Church in Fairmont, Nebraska. Public visitation will begin Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. with family greeting friends from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the Farmer & Son Funeral Home in Geneva, Nebraska. Interment will be in the Fairmont Public Cemetery. Memorials are directed to The Arthritis Foundation.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Elsie will be missed by many. I have very fond memories of her, from my childhood days. My condolences to the Block family.* ”

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**Barbara Zimmerman Engelbrecht** - March 28, 2012 at 03:16 PM

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“ *So sorry for your loss. I have such good memories of your parents and your family. You're in my thoughts. Coleen* ”

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**Coleen McMahon** - March 26, 2012 at 03:10 PM

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“ *so sorry to hear about your mom's passing. I know how much you loved her by the way you talked about her.* ”

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**Diane Hobson** - March 26, 2012 at 12:35 PM