



Helen Irene Towns

December 17, 1927 - July 17, 2018

Helen Towns, 90, of Barnes City, Iowa passed away Tuesday, July 17, 2018, at the Mahaska Health Partnership Hospice Serenity House in Oskaloosa. Helen Irene Towns, daughter of William Perry and Bessie Irene (Edwards) Chilcote, was born Dec. 17, 1927, in Ottumwa, Iowa. She was a 1945 graduate of Oskaloosa High School and then furthered her education at the University of Iowa, where she attended for two years. She worked as the secretary for the Juvenile Court System in Belle Plaine for 15 years. She drove a semi-truck for several years with her brothers and sister-in-law, Dale, and Don and Edna, and then served as manager of the Brooklyn 80 Truck Stop. Helen retired in 2008.

Helen was a member of the United Methodist Church in Barnes City. She enjoyed quilting, reading, BINGO and card parties.

Her family includes her children and their spouses: Robert Towns of Gibson, Iowa, Cheryl Conway of Oskaloosa, Jerry and Elsie Towns of Marengo, Iowa, Larry and Joan Towns of What Cheer, Iowa and Shirley Shaull of Montezuma, Iowa; 14 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren; her siblings and their spouses: Don and Edna Chilcote of Belle Plaine, Iowa, Beverly Chilcote of Belle Plaine, Iowa, Virginia and Todd Harp of Moravia, Iowa, Violet and Bob Jones of Oskaloosa, Harry and Jean Chilcote of Belle Plaine, Iowa and Charles Chilcote and Dave Ohlson of Panama City, Florida; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Helen was preceded in death by a grandson, David

Towns; and a brother and a sister and brother-in-law: Dale Chilcote and Catherine and Tom Havener.

Funeral services for Helen will be held at 2 p.m., Thursday, July 19, 2018, at the Langkamp Funeral Chapel with Rev. David Brown of Omega Church officiating. Burial will be in Forest Cemetery. Visitation will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Wednesday; the family will greet visitors from 12:30 p.m. to service time on Thursday. Memorial contributions can be made to Mahaska Health Partnership Serenity House. Memories and condolences can be shared with the family by visiting langkampfuneralchapel.com.

Cemetery Details

Forest Cemetery

934 North 9th ST
Oskaloosa, IA 52577
secretary@forestcemetery.com
<http://www.forestcemetery.org/>

Previous Events

Open Visitation

JUL **18**. 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM (CT)

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Family Visitation

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Tribute Wall



“ *Helen Irene Towns*

October 05, 2023 at 11:57 PM



“ *Your fudge in Christmas 1980 was fantastic.*

Jeff James - July 21, 2018 at 02:55 PM



“ *Thank you Grandma for all you taught me in life. Thank you for all the beautiful quilts you made me throughout my life. You will be missed . I love you grandma . Michelle Smalley*

Michelle Smalley - July 17, 2018 at 08:26 PM



“ *You were a wonderful aunt who was willing to try something new at least once. You will be missed on this earth but can now enjoy your eternal life with God.*



jeanne ferneau - July 17, 2018 at 07:36 PM



“ *I got to know Helen very well when she lived in Belle Plaine, very very sweet lady
She will be truly missed. I am sorry for your loss. Marcy (Miller)
Mabee*

Marcy Mabee - July 17, 2018 at 05:26 PM



My sincere condolences to the Chilcote family during this time of loss. I am sorry for reading this so late. But I will not be there but my thoughts and prayers are with you. Helen was a wonderful lady. God bless you all. Russell Vance Jr.

Russell Vance - July 19, 2018 at 09:14 AM