



Mary A. Palmer Van DePol Else

May 29, 1917 - February 28, 2005

Mary A. Palmer Van De Pol Else: Mary passed away Friday morning, Feb. 28 at the Ramsey Home in Des Moines at the age of 87 years and 9 months.

Mary is survived by her daughter, Carol Van De Pol and a grandson, Logan Whitmarsh, both of Des Moines.

Mary Angeline Palmer Van De Pol Else, daughter of Dr. Charles A. & Nellie Mae Williams Palmer was born May 29, 1917 in Seattle, WA. She was a 1937 graduate of Oskaloosa High School; there she met Robert Van De Pol, whom she married Dec. 24, 1941. Mary was a graduate of Iowa Methodist School of Nursing and served 28 years at Mahaska County Hospital. Mary's husband Robert passed away in August 1975 after 35 years of marriage. On April 24, 1982 she married Roy Else; he passed away on July 17, 1985. Mary relished her career as a nurse and was an inspirational, devoted wife and mother. She enjoyed traveling and served as a missionary in Africa, Russia and Arizona. She loved animals and owned and showed Western horses. Mary appreciated music, church activities and social clubs; she was a member of the First Christian Church in Oskaloosa, the Oskaloosa Women's Club, and 545 Club. In 2002 she moved to Des Moines to be near her daughter.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents and both of her husbands.

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“ *Mary A. Palmer Van DePol Else*

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