



Pauline L. Blake

January 21, 1929 - February 2, 2023

Pauline Blake, 94, of Oskaloosa, passed away on Thursday, February 2, 2023, at the Mahaska Health Hospice Serenity House.

Pauline Lucille Blake, daughter of Howard and Flossie (Caves) Robbins, was born on January 21, 1929, in Fremont, Iowa. Pauline was a 1946 graduate of Oskaloosa High School and attended beauty school in Ottumwa, Iowa. She worked at Merrill's Beauty Shop in her early married life. Eventually, Pauline fixed people's hair at different nursing homes in Oskaloosa. She worked three days each week, and her career there spanned 32 years. Pauline married the love of her life, George Blake, Jr., on November 20, 1949, in Cedar, Iowa. They lived in rural Oskaloosa for a short time before moving to 8th Avenue West. In 1972, they built and moved into their new home on South Market. Pauline loved to cook and bake and enjoyed giving everyone her baked goods. You couldn't leave her house without a loaf of her banana bread! She hosted her family almost every Sunday for lunch and loved playing games, especially Pitch. In her later years, she liked to do puzzles and word searches. Pauline loved watching sports, mainly Iowa Hawkeye football and basketball and St. Louis Cardinals baseball. George and Pauline had a cabin on the Des Moines River for 30 years. They spent almost every summer weekend there with their children and grandchildren, hosting many other guests for Sunday lunches. George and Pauline spent many hours fishing together at area ponds, always competing for who could catch the most fish. She always won

the bragging rights (since she didn't bait her hook or take off the fish)!

Pauline's family includes her sons, daughter, and their spouses: Mike (Sharman) Blake of West Des Moines, Deb (Tom) Overbergen of Pella, Kevin (Sallie) Blake of Oskaloosa; seven grandchildren: Heidi (Matt) Hennig of West Des Moines, Blair (Alison) Blake of Wilmette, Illinois, Julie (Mike) Van Utrecht of New Sharon, Jennifer (Lane) Matice of Pella, Steven (Miranda) Overbergen of Altoona, Lindsey (Brett) Herny of Oskaloosa, Grant (Chelsea) Blake of Cedar Rapids; fifteen great-grandchildren: Cash, Heath, and Cheyenne Hennig, Sawyer and Bennett Blake, Lexi and Maddie Van Utrecht, Mackenzie Overbergen, Maxon Matice, Blake, Brody, and Boston Herny, Paityn, Scarlett, and Tate Hartsock. She is also survived by a brother, Paul Robbins of Omaha.

In addition to her parents, Pauline is also preceded in death by her brothers: Dale, Harold, Dwight Dave, Rex, and Keith Robbins, and her three sisters: Dorothy Bunting, Liz Dalbey, and Carolyn Brummel.

Funeral services for Pauline will be held on Monday, February 6, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., at the Langkamp Funeral Chapel, with Mike and Kevin Blake officiating. Visitation will begin at noon, on Sunday, with the family present from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Per her wishes, her body will be cremated following the services and burial of ashes will take place at Forest Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Mahaska Health Hospice Serenity House.

Cemetery Details

Forest Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 5. 12:00 PM (CT)

Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory
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Family will be present from 2-4 p.m.

Funeral Service

FEB 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Pauline L. Blake*



Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory - February 04, 2023 at 06:06 PM



“ *Pauline L. Blake*

October 05, 2023 at 11:57 PM



“ *Linda lit a candle in memory of Pauline L. Blake*



Linda - February 06, 2023 at 05:33 PM



“ *Dean And Barbara Bone lit a candle in memory of Pauline L. Blake*



Dean and Barbara Bone - February 06, 2023 at 10:45 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Pauline L. Blake.*



February 04, 2023 at 10:08 PM



“ *My condolences to Pauline's family. There will never be another one like her.*

Marjorie Cunningham - February 04, 2023 at 09:05 PM



“ *Martha Veerman lit a candle in memory of Pauline L. Blake*



Martha Veerman - February 04, 2023 at 06:27 PM



“ *Becky Netten lit a candle in memory of Pauline L. Blake*



Becky Netten - February 04, 2023 at 06:20 PM



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LC

“ So very sorry to hear of Pauline's passing and our hearts go out to her family and friends. Many wonderful memories growing up. My mother, Ruth Wolfe Cook (97) and her are cousins and Mom remembers her fondly in their youthful days. She was always so nice to everyone and always willing to lend a helping hand.
Ruth Wolfe Cook and Linda Cook Cain

Linda Cain - February 04, 2023 at 02:16 PM

LV

“ *Cliff and Leilani VandeWall*



Leilani VandeWall - February 04, 2023 at 01:02 PM

DD

“ *Deb, sorry to hear of your Mom passing it is hard to lose them* ”



Deb DeWitt - February 04, 2023 at 11:35 AM

BH

My family (Henry, Marjorie, Beverly, Denny, Sandy, and Ken Seibert/neighbors of yours across 8th Ave) will always remember the Blake family with love and respect. George and Pauline were the kindest and most generous people one could know. We loved you all and you will forever be in our hearts. God bless each of you and Pauline, may you rest in God's Heavenly peace. 🙏

Beverly Seibert Holder - February 04, 2023 at 01:05 PM