

Edna Anderson

Edna Anderson, 78, of Sidney, died early Friday, Nov. 5, at her home in Sidney.

The funeral will be at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 10 at the First United Methodist Church in Sidney with the Rev. Karl Lent officiating. Burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery.



Friends may call from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Holechek Funeral Home, which is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials have been established to the donor's choice of those civic organizations which meant so much to Edna.

Edna Opal Anderson, the daughter of James Eli and Junie (Bartlett) Coffman, was born June 29, 1915 in Custer County. She graduated from Broken Bow High School and obtained her teaching certificate after attending York College. She then taught school in Custer County rural schools for eight years. She worked in defense plants in Ohio and New Jersey during WWII.

She married Frank Spanel in 1945 and they lived in the Broken Bow area until his death in 1967. They adopted two children: Rosanna and Rick. She was a beauty consultant for Fashion Two Twenty for 23 years and worked as a cashier for Kansas-Nebraska Gas Company for 20 years.

In 1973 she married Elder Anderson and lived in Hastings until his transfer to Sidney in 1977. He preceded her in death in 1986.

Edna was very involved in community affairs everywhere she lived, being a member of the BPO Does, the Civil Air Patrol, Ladies Auxiliary of VFW, the Cheyenne County Chamber of Commerce and Chamber Ambassadors, the Western Nebraska Community College Endowment Association, the Memorial Health Center Auxiliary. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

Adella Seeger

Adella Seeger, 97, Sidney, died Friday, Nov. 5, at the Memorial Health Center, Extended Care.

The Funeral will be 3 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9 in the Light Memorial Presbyterian Church in Sidney with the Rev. James Goodenberger officiating. Burial will be in the Malvern Cemetery, Malvern, Iowa.

Friends may call from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

Adella Seeger was the youngest child of five born to Martin and Liddie Leopold Sept. 26, 1896, in south central Nebraska. She attended Doane College and graduated as class valedictorian. She came to Sunol to teach school. She married Ernest Seeger and they farmed north of Sunol.

She was interested in all sports on television. She was also interested in geography and knowledgeable in math.

She is survived by five nieces and four nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband in 1951, one brother and three sisters.

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She was very proud of her students from her teaching years. Many went on to college and became professionals. She was most honored at being the namesake for the "Edna Anderson Award" given by the Cheyenne County Chamber of Commerce each year to a volunteer giving outstanding service to Sidney and the county.

Edna loved to entertain family and friends, and was a talented gourmet cook. Her garden of flowers and vegetables was her pride and joy.

She is survived by a daughter, Rosanna McComb, Kearney; a son, Rick Spanel and wife Carol, San Jose, Calif.; two grandchildren, one great-granddaughter, and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by two husbands, her parents, one brother and one sister.

Holechek Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Bernadette Farnsworth

Bernadette Farnsworth, 85, a resident of Sidney for 51 years, died Monday, Nov. 1, at the Sidney Nursing Center.

Memorial services will be held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 3 at St. Patrick's Church in Sidney with Fr. Francis Curran officiating. Private graveside services will be at Greenwood Cemetery.

The family has designated St. Patrick's Church as the memorial.

Bernadette Farnsworth was born on June 9, 1908, in Wayne County, Neb., the daughter of Dan and Leona Morgan Shannon, the middle child in a family of five girls and two boys. She attended school in Wayne County, Randolph, graduating from Carroll High School in 1926. She then attended Wayne State Teachers College. Following her graduation, she taught in rural schools in Wayne County.

On Aug. 5, 1933, she married Harvey Farnsworth in Sioux City, Iowa. After farming for some time they moved to Norfolk and in 1942 moved to Sidney where he was employed by the Union Pacific Railroad. She began teaching in Cheyenne County in 1948 and continued her education by taking summer classes at Chadron State College, earning her bachelor degree in elementary education in 1958. She taught at North Ward School in Sidney for the last 10 years of her teaching career, retiring in June of 1972.

She was a member of St. Patrick's Church, Delta Kappa Gamma and the Sidney Area Retired Teachers.

She is survived by two sons, Don and Pat, both of Sidney; two daughters, Janice Crabb, Sidney, and Joy Hoerler, Hobbs, N.M.; one sister, Mrs. Catherine Lidmilla, Wood River; seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, two brothers and three sisters.

Gehrig and Son Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.