



Helen Marie Fortney

December 8, 1922 - May 12, 2025

Robbinsdale, MN - Hele Marie Fortney of Robbinsdale, MN passed away May 12, 2025 at the age of 102. Helen was born to Walter and Marie Koerner Hird on December 8, 1922 in Dubuque, IA. She married Willard George Fortney in Waterloo, IA on June 15, 1946. She resided in Waterloo most of her adult life, relocating to Minnesota in 2017.

During her long work life, Helen was employed by Chamberlain Manufacturing, Black's Department Store and Allen Hospital, from which she retired in 1985. Throughout her life she enjoyed reading, playing cribbage, 500 and poker, and following the Iowa Hawkeyes, particularly the men's basketball team.

Helen was preceded in death by her husband Willard and her siblings Lucille (Weinbacher), Mike, Marie (Vogt), Jack and Luella (Bohr). She is survived by her son David (Golden Valley, MN), daughter Ann Marie Lentz (Sioux City, IA), grandson Randy Lentz (North Charleston, SC) and great granddaughter Alexandra Lentz (St. Paul).

As Helen requested, there will be no services. Interment at Mount Olivet Cemetery in Waterloo, IA.