



## Dolores Herbers

August 13, 1930 - March 1, 2023

Dolores Herbers, age 92, of Halbur, died Wednesday, March 1, 2023, at Garden View Manor in Elk Horn, Nebraska.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m., Monday, March 6, 2023 at St. Augustine Catholic Church in Halbur. The Celebrant will be Fr. Merlin Schrad. Music will be by Julie Sibbel and the St. Augustine Choir. Special instrumental music by Carol Packard and Nicole Stinn. Lectors for the Funeral Mass will be Jerome Henkenius and John Stinn. Gift Bearers will be Dolores' granddaughters: Carissa Gephart, Elizabeth Moreland, Nicole Stinn, Emily Hart, Renee Herbers, Brittany McCoy, Carolyn Murnan, Katherine Ford, Sarah Wilson, Melanie Wendt, and Samantha Herbers. Eucharistic Minister will be Michelle Herbers. Casket Bearers will be Dolores' grandsons: Tim Niemeyer, Jeremy Herbers, Eric Herbers, Matthew Herbers, Nathan Herbers, Jeffrey Herbers, Noah Ford, Garth Packard, Grant Packard, Grady Packard, Michael Herbers, Ryan Herbers, Joshua Herbers, and Nicholas Fields. Burial will be in St. Augustine Cemetery in Halbur.

Visitation will be from 2-4 p.m. on Sunday at the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll with a rosary at 4 p.m. Additional visitation will be from 9:30-10:15 a.m. on Monday at the church. Memorials may be left at the funeral home or the church for the Dolores Herbers family for a later designation. Funeral arrangements are under the guidance of the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll

and online condolences may be left for the Herbers family at [www.sharpfuneral.com](http://www.sharpfuneral.com).

The daughter of Michael and Catherine (Hoffman) Berger, Dolores was born on August 13, 1930, grew up on a farm near Roselle, and attended Holy Angels School. She earned a high school education while attending the convent in La Crosse, WI. Though she didn't end up joining a religious order, God and her faith remained a priority throughout her life. Next to faith, nothing mattered more to Dolores than family. Her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren were her pride and joy and she loved them beyond measure. May those of us who survive her embody her selflessness and love for others.

On October 23, 1956 Dolores was united in marriage to Melvin Herbers at Holy Angels Catholic Church in Roselle. The couple made their home on the Herbers family farm near Halbur, where Dolores resided for 62 years, longer than any Herbers family member had. There they raised their 10 children.

Growing up during the Depression, Dolores knew about hard times and wasn't one to waste. She also wasn't one to shirk hard work and often recalled and repeated words from her mom, "Many hands make light work." For many years Dolores collected eggs every day from the several hundred chicken (the old clucks!) she tended, canned fruits and vegetables, and made jams and jellies from her orchard and enormous garden. The fruit room was filled with bins of potatoes and onions, row after row of canned fruits or vegetables, and the freezer full of good food to feed her large family. Life can't be all work and no play and Dolores enjoyed playing pitch, pinochle, and rummy - and though she played for fun, she liked to win! As her kids grew older and started leaving to make homes of their own, Dolores enjoyed playing bingo with her newfound leisure time. She was self-taught on the accordion and played as part of a band for several local towns' celebrations. The grandkids liked Grandma's house because there was always plenty of ice cream, toppings, and a full

candy jar on the counter whenever they visited - and, of course, an abundance of love from Grandma.

Dolores was preceded in death by her parents, Michael and Catherine Berger; her husband Melvin Herbers; a daughter, Marian Niemeyer; a son, Thomas Herbers; her sister, Norma Henkenius; her brother, Arnold Berger; and parents-in-law, Frank and Elizabeth Herbers.

Dolores is survived by her children: Kathy (Dennis) Vogl of Atlantic, Leo (Deanne) Herbers of Urbandale, Jean (Barry) Ford of Omaha, NE, Carol (George) Packard of Ogallala, NE, Louis (Kris) Herbers of Halbur, Lori (Tom) Dunn of Hot Springs, SD, Annette (Michael) Fields of Waukee, and Dan (Michelle) Herbers of Gretna, NE, son-in-law John Niemeyer of Minneapolis, MN, daughter-in-law DeLayne Herbers of Carroll; 25 grandchildren, and 16 great-grandchildren; her sisters: Bernadine Heinrichs, Mary Jane Berger, and Pauline Schenkelberg; brothers-in-law Jerome Henkenius and Elmer Herbers; sisters-in-law: Darlene Niehaus, Dorothy Pudenz, and Dolores Herbers, as well as many nieces, nephews and other extended family.

# Tribute Wall

AH

“ Aunt Dolores, and all the Herbers family, have a special place in my heart. I have so many good memories out on their farm and at family gatherings. As my aunt and godmother, I admired her strength and deep faith. They say God doesn't give us more than we can handle. Well, He definitely had faith in Dolores and entrusted her with so much! She was a strong, resilient, faith-filled woman who worked harder than anyone I know. May she now rest in peace and reap her just rewards. Hugs and prayers for comfort and peace to all the family.

Anne Hernandez - March 10, 2023 at 12:18 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Dolores Herbers.



March 06, 2023 at 01:37 PM

PM

“ Pam Daniel Mohr lit a candle in memory of Dolores Herbers



Pam Daniel Mohr - March 06, 2023 at 01:08 PM



“ Always loved when they came up to Minnesota to see Marian and her family. She was such a beautiful happy person.

Barb Derendal - March 05, 2023 at 08:36 PM



“ Peace be with the Herbers family as you mourn the loss of your mom. Always will remember your love of music, talk of milking cows and racing down the long driveway after departing from our bus.  
Janet and Rick Muhlbauer

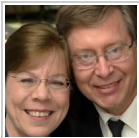
Janet Muhlbauer - March 05, 2023 at 04:25 PM



“ Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Dolores Herbers.



March 04, 2023 at 08:41 AM



“ The Herbers family is special to me as I helped bale hay for them and as their cousin always thought they were the kindest people on the plane earth. And Dolores was part of creating the legacy of that family. Mel and I got along famously and I miss them both. Had planned a western tour this summer and stop in, but unfortunately that was too late.

Steve Berger - March 03, 2023 at 10:16 PM

RM

“ Although I graduated from high school with Kathy, I never knew Dolores until I managed the books at the Westside Community Club Bingo. She was such a pleasant lady...always gracious, always smiling, and always proud when she could get her "kids" or grandkids to join her for the evening. Just a nice, nice person.

Rose Miller - March 03, 2023 at 05:25 PM

KC

“ Kathryn Criswell purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Dolores Herbers.



Kathryn Criswell - March 03, 2023 at 03:14 PM

CD

“ I have such fond memories of your Mom and Dad, and all the fun we had together as cousins. You have my deepest condolences. May she rest in peace. Prayers and hugs for all of you.



Ceci DeGenova - March 03, 2023 at 02:29 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Dolores Herbers.



March 03, 2023 at 02:13 PM

BF

“ *Bernadine Heinrichs & Family purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Dolores Herbers.*



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**Bernadine Heinrichs & Family** - March 03, 2023 at 01:19 PM

JB

“ *Sorry for your loss Dan. Prayers for you and your family at this difficult time. John Beckley-Central States Group*



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**John Beckley** - March 03, 2023 at 12:46 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Dolores Herbers.*



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March 03, 2023 at 11:16 AM

KN

“ *Kate and Irene Najera purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dolores Herbers.*



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**Kate and Irene Najera** - March 03, 2023 at 10:23 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Dolores Herbers.*



March 03, 2023 at 09:26 AM



“ *GEORGE MAJEWICZ purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Dolores Herbers.*



**GEORGE MAJEWICZ** - March 02, 2023 at 10:03 PM



“ *Arnold and Bernice Berger family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Dolores Herbers.*



**Arnold and Bernice Berger family** - March 02, 2023 at 08:09 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dolores Herbers.*



March 02, 2023 at 05:04 PM

LE

“ *Larry, Shane, Shannon, Elizabeth purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Dolores Herbers.*



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**Larry, Shane, Shannon, Elizabeth** - March 02, 2023 at 03:33 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Dolores Herbers.*



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March 02, 2023 at 02:42 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Dolores Herbers.*



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March 02, 2023 at 02:29 PM