



## Esther Hausman

December 28, 1925 - July 28, 2024

Esther Ann (Ricke) Hausman, cherished mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, passed away on July 28, 2024 at the age of 98.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, August 7, 2024 at St. Augustine Catholic Church in Halbur. The Celebrant will be Fr. Terry Roder. Con-Celebrant and Homilist will be Fr. Lynn Bruch. Music will be by Julie Sibbel and the St. Augustine Choir. Mass Servers will be Jacey Fuchs and Emma Branning. Lectors will be Courtney Schreck and Rhyem Wendl. Gift Bearers will be Esther's great-grandchildren. Eucharistic Ministers will be Mark and Mary Schreck. Honorary Casket Bearers will be Esther's Grandchildren: Holly Wendl, Kelly Riesberg, Nikki Boock, Cassie Bergeson, Caitlin Ehresman, Courtney Schreck, and Carly Tegels. Casket Bearers will be Jay Hausman, Mike Fuchs, Gary Wyatt, Jess Hausman, Connor Tegels, Ben Bergeson, and Jordan Ehresman. Burial will be in the parish cemetery.

Visitation will be held from 5-7 p.m. on Tuesday at St. Augustine Church in Halbur. A Christian Wake Service will be held at 7 p.m. Additional visitation will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Wednesday morning.

Funeral arrangements are under the guidance of the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll and online condolences may be left for Esther's family at [www.sharpfuneral.com](http://www.sharpfuneral.com).

Born near Breda, Iowa, on December 28, 1925, Esther was the daughter of George and Rose (Derner) Ricke.

Esther's life was deeply rooted by spending her entire life living on a farm or acreage making memories with her family. She often recounted the joy of creating a little house in the grove and serving mud pies to her younger brothers, Richard and Ralph. Her early education was marked by unique experiences, including attending several elementary schools, sometimes as the only student in her class, and spending a week in Breda with relatives to prepare for her First Holy Communion. She graduated from Arcadia High School on June 3, 1943, where she made history as a member of the first girls' basketball team her senior year.

Esther was united in marriage to Clarence Henry Hausman on June 28th, 1949 at St. John's Catholic Church in Arcadia, Iowa. They built a life together on the Hausman family farm, a legacy that will be honored as a 152-year Heritage farm at the Iowa State Fair this August. The two of them met at a dance in Westside, Iowa where Clarence asked Esther to dance, and their dancing never stopped. Their love for dancing led them on memorable bus trips across the United States and a special trip to Europe, following one of their favorite orchestras through Germany, Switzerland, and Ireland.

Esther's love and passion for flowers, particularly gladiolus, was a defining aspect of her life. For over 40 years, she beautified the altar and church of St. Augustine in Halbur with her stunning arrangements. Her love for flowers extended to creating beautiful bouquets and arrangements for numerous weddings, including those of her daughters and grandchildren. Even after her retirement from decorating the church, you can still find Esther's window sills and outdoor planters full of flowers.

Above all, Esther took the greatest pride in her family. She was devoted to

attending and supporting all their events, cherishing every milestone and celebration. Her family was her greatest joy, and she celebrated their achievements with endless love and pride.

Esther had a full and wonderful life and we were blessed to have her with us for 98 ½ wonderful years. Her strong commitment to her faith was a source of strength and guidance throughout her life. Our family finds comfort knowing she is now reunited with Clarence after 28 years, dancing once more.

Left to cherish Esther's memories are her children: Sheryl (Dale) Gust of Templeton, Ron (Lea Ann) Hausman of Halbur, Lori (Lyle) Tegels of Lake View, Cindy (Tim) Dobson of Las Cruces, New Mexico, and John (Sandy) Hausman of Gilbert, Arizona; along with 12 grandchildren and 31 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her brother and sister-in-law, Andy (Sally) Hausman of Arizona, and her dear friend Marilyn Eischeid of Halbur.

Esther is preceded in death by her husband Clarence in 1996; daughter Janice Jean; parents, George and Rose Ricke; father and mother-in-law, Peter and Margaret Hausman; son-in-law Leon Fuchs; brothers Richard and Ralph Ricke; and brother and sister-in-law's Eugene Hausman, Dorothy Irlmeier, Mildred Grethen, Sylvia McCormick, Hilda Schulte, Sally Stickrod, Art Hausman, and Norma Schmidt.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 6. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. Augustine Catholic Church  
324 W 2nd St  
Halbur, IA 51444  
(712) 658-2464

## Mass of the Christian Burial

AUG 7. 10:30 AM (CT)

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324 W 2nd St  
Halbur, IA 51444  
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# Tribute Wall

LS

“ so very sorry for the loss of such a wonderful woman.

Larry and Lora Snyder - August 07, 2024 at 08:57 AM

CO

“ Calvin Pudenz & Scott Onken planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Esther Hausman.

Calvin Pudenz & Scott Onken - August 05, 2024 at 10:47 PM

CO

“ Calvin Pudenz & Scott Onken purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Esther Hausman.



Calvin Pudenz & Scott Onken - August 05, 2024 at 10:47 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Esther Hausman.



August 05, 2024 at 08:36 PM

PF

“ Paul and Gina Fisch planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Esther Hausman.

Paul and Gina Fisch - August 05, 2024 at 08:36 PM

DJ

“ Dave & joanne purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of Esther Hausman.



Dave & joanne - August 05, 2024 at 03:56 PM

DJ

“ Dave & joanne planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Esther Hausman.

Dave & joanne - August 05, 2024 at 03:56 PM

GB

“ Grant & Emma Borkowski planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Esther Hausman.

Grant & Emma Borkowski - August 05, 2024 at 08:40 AM

GB

“ Grant & Emma Borkowski purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Esther Hausman.



Grant & Emma Borkowski - August 05, 2024 at 08:40 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Esther Hausman.



August 04, 2024 at 12:44 PM

MB

“ Mary B. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Esther Hausman.

Mary B. - August 02, 2024 at 10:09 AM

JK

“ Jeff & Dawn Koster planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Esther Hausman.

Jeff & Dawn Koster - August 01, 2024 at 10:23 PM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Esther Hausman.



August 01, 2024 at 10:23 PM

L&

“ Linda &. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Esther Hausman.

Linda &. - August 01, 2024 at 11:03 AM

JA

“ Our deepest sympathy for your loss.  
May God grant you peace at this time. We always enjoyed talking with Esther ... your memories will always bring a Smile to your faces!  
Prayers for all the family.  
Mike and Jan Boes

Jan - July 31, 2024 at 07:10 PM

JC

“ My husband and I met Ester earlier this year and spent some time on Memorial Day with her and family . We are friends with her son Ron and his wife LeAnne. We had heard many wonderful stories about her and I was excited to meet her in person . Ester was a sweet sweet lady and I enjoyed talking with her . Rest in peace dear one . We send healing prayers to all who loved her and will miss her  
❤️



janice carabine - July 31, 2024 at 11:34 AM

RS

“ Randy And Janelle Schulte lit a candle in memory of Esther Hausman



Randy and Janelle Schulte - July 31, 2024 at 09:59 AM

RS

Our thoughts are with you. Losing a loved one is always tough on the heart!

Randy and Janelle Schulte - July 31, 2024 at 10:01 AM

BS

“ Beverly Steffes lit a candle in memory of Esther Hausman



Beverly Steffes - July 30, 2024 at 09:40 PM

BS

“ I pray you all find peace and comfort in the days ahead and hold all your memories close to your heart ❤️  
Beverly Steffes



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**Beverly Steffes** - July 30, 2024 at 09:36 PM

DV

“ Our sympathy to the Hansman family. Esther was a beautiful lady!

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**Denny and Marilyn Vonnahme** - July 30, 2024 at 04:12 PM