



*Mable Huntsinger*

Memorial services for Mable Huntsinger will be held on March 23, 2013 with Pastor Lynn Elrod officiating. Burial is at the Armstrong Grove Cemetery, Armstrong, Iowa with Henry Olson in charge of arrangements. Mable died Friday, February 15, 2013.

Mable was born May 20, 1914 at Dolliver, the daughter of William Archer Moore and Flora MacDonald Mitchell. She lived all of her life

in Emmet County and most of her childhood in Armstrong, graduating from Armstrong High School in 1931. She was united in marriage to Kenneth James Huntsinger of Estherville on January 28, 1934 at Armstrong. They lived their entire married life in Estherville. He passed away December 24, 1991. Mable was able to live in her own home until late December 2012.

She is survived by sons, Barry R Huntsinger and his wife, Marcia, of Estherville, and James K Huntsinger, Sr of Birmingham, AL. Four grandchildren: James K (Karen) Huntsinger, Jr of Birmingham, AL; Carmen (Darrel) Davis of Fayetteville, AR; Heidi (Robert) Goebel of Estherville and Brenda Huntsinger of Aiea, HI.

Seven great grandchildren: Megan Huntsinger, Andrew Huntsinger, Birmingham, AL; Alicia (Brandon) Scott, Farmington, AR; Aaron Davis, Houston, TX; Elizabeth Davis, Laie, HI; Hannah Davis, Fayetteville, AR; Rhett Goebel, Estherville; and a great great grandson, Harrison Scott, Farmington, AR.

Other survivors include nieces and nephews: Judy (Richard) Taylor, Milford; Steven (Peggy) Danielson

and Tim (Nancy) Danielson, all of Estherville; Betty (Roger) Leach of Armstrong, Mary Kracht, Rochester, MN; Herbert (Jan) Moore of Aurora, MN; Diane (Don) Taylor, Austin, TX; David (Cathy) Huntsinger, Margate, FL and Deborah (Mark) Moulding, Ellicott City, MD.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, four brothers, two sisters, six nieces and four nephews.

Mable spent many years researching her maternal Mitchell and paternal Moore genealogies. Her Mitchell grandparents were among the early settlers of Armstrong Grove Township in Emmet County. Mable's efforts, in collaboration with others, formed the foundation of a genealogy that now contains more than 6,300 family and extended family members and is hosted on a web site. Her mother was born in a sod house along the east fork of the Des Moines River near Armstrong in 1875 after the Mitchells, who originated in Scotland, moved from Canada where they had lived for 16 years.

Mable reflected often on trips that she enjoyed through the years visiting family in Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Hawaii, North Dakota and Tennessee as well as

many fishing vacations to Minnesota with her husband.

In her working years, she was a sales clerk at the JC Penney store and sewed draperies for LM Christensen and Co. She enjoyed sewing, knitting, crocheting and plastic canvas crafts. She was a Cub Scout Den Mother while her sons were of scouting age. For several years, she assisted her husband with his retail bakery route for Pan-O-Gold Baking Co. She was an avid reader and followed the Iowa Hawkeyes basketball team with great interest. She was a longtime member of the United Methodist Church in Estherville.

Interment is at the Armstrong Grove Cemetery where more than 100 family and extended family members are buried. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be made to your favorite charity or the United Methodist Church of Estherville.