



Doris I. Matthews

November 10, 1920 - December 24, 2019

NORFOLK -- Funeral service for Doris I. Matthews, 99, of Norfolk, will be held at 11:00 a.m., Monday, December 30, 2019 Evangelical Free Church in Norfolk, with Reverend Bill Knieval officiating. Burial will take place at Rosehill Cemetery South of Tilden. Visitation will be held from 10:00 a.m. till service time at the church. Doris Died Tuesday, December 24, 2019, at Community Pride Care Center in Battle Creek. Stonacek Funeral Chapel in Norfolk is in charge of the arrangements.

Doris Ilene Matthews was born Nov. 10, 1920, in Holdrege, to Andrew Emil Granlund and Ester Matilda (Johnson) Granlund.

On June 14, 1941, she was married to the Rev. Marris A. Matthews in Holdrege. After attending Moody Bible Institute and Trinity Evangelical Divinity College in Chicago, they were called to serve as Church Planting Missionaries in southeast Kentucky under the affiliation of the Evangelical Free Churches of America.

While serving Calvary Bible Church in Viper, Ky., and Big Branch Church near Hindman, Ky., they helped establish several new churches, along with the building of Twin Rocks Bible Camp.

For 16 years, Doris and Morris served in Kentucky prior to returning to their home state. The Evangelical Free churches served in Nebraska were in Newman Grove/Rosehill, Alma, Gothenburg New Hope and Harvard.

After supposedly retiring, they still teamed up to serve churches in Concord and Norfolk as interim pastors and filled in at several other churches as pulpit

supply when needed.

For over 50 years, Morris and Doris served in Christian ministry. Doris inspired the music portion, but she also taught Bible study classes and worked diligently with the youth and adult choirs.

Doris is survived by two sons, Jim (Luella) Matthews of Norfolk and Roger (Donna) Matthews of Knoxville, Tenn., also a daughter-in-law, the Rev. Lynne Matthews of Holland, Minn. Her grandchildren are Tammy (Mike) Amen, Sheila Arlt, Teresa (Troy) Hitz, Carla (Jason) Rittscher, Jeremy (Cassie) Matthews, Crystal (Don) Magnuson, Allen Matthews, Jon (Amy) Matthews, Joy (Tim) Prout and Kristi Matthews. Doris also is survived by 27 great-grandchildren and eight great-great-grandchildren, along with many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Andrew and Ester; her spouse, the Rev. Morris; a son, the Rev. Kendrick Matthews; a great-granddaughter, Kelsey; three brothers, Reuben, Maynard and Darlynn; and three sisters, Myrtle, Florence and Verma.

Pianist will be Kenneth Amen. Casketbearers will be Mike Amen, Troy Hitz, Jason Rittscher, Don Magnuson, Jeremy Matthews and Justin Amen.

Honorary casketbearers will be Tammy Amen, Sheila Arlt, Teresa Hitz, Carla Rittscher, Crystal Matthews, Kristi Matthews and Joy Prout.

Condolences may be expressed to the family online at www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com.

Cemetery Details

Rosehill Cemetery

South of Tilden, NE

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 30. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Evangelical Free Church
Norfolk, NE

Service

DEC 30. 11:00 AM (CT)

Evangelical Free Church
Norfolk, NE

Tribute Wall



“ *Doris I. Matthews*

October 05, 2023 at 03:46 AM



“ *I am one of those that became a Christian because of the ministry of Mr. and Mrs. Matthews. Their testimony lives on in the mountains of eastern Ky.*

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