



Jane "Betty" Elizabeth Cunningham

October 13, 1927 - November 18, 2025

RANDOLPH -- Services for Jane "Betty" Elizabeth Cunningham, 98, of Norfolk, formerly of Randolph will be held on Saturday, November 29, 2025 at 10:30 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Randolph. Interment will follow at the Randolph City Cemetery. Pastor Judy Carlson will be officiating the services. The service will be live-streamed on the Stonacek Funeral Chapel Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/stonacekfuneralchapel/>. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the services. Betty passed away on Tuesday, November 18, 2025 at the Norfolk Veterans Home in Norfolk. Stonacek Funeral Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

Betty was born on October 13, 1927 in Randolph, NE to Orval and Mildred (Jones) Dowling. She attended rural country school before graduating from Randolph Public High School. She then went on to Wayne State College where she received her teacher's certificate. Betty taught for 6 years at district 38 country school before being a stay-at-home farm wife. She also worked for 30 plus years as a cook at the Colonial Manor in Randolph.

On January 14, 1951 she married the love of her life, Dale Cunningham, at the Presbyterian Church in Randolph. To this union 3 children were born, Sheila, Nancy, and James. The two would live and raise their family in Randolph until 2010 when they moved to Norfolk. Betty loved gardening, cooking, baking, quilting, and embroidering. She was part of the VFW

Auxiliary, was active in the United Methodist Church women's group, and the Town Twirlers Square Dance Club.

Betty is survived by her children, Sheila (Craig) Swanson of Omaha, Nancy (Gene) Jensen of Winside, James (Kathy) Cunningham of Norfolk. 8 grandchildren, 22 great grandchildren, and 1 great great grandson. Sister Angie (Lyle) Neuharth of Wisner, and sister-in-law's Ruth Dowling of Sioux Falls, SD, and Alice (John) Moehlenhoff of Creighton, NE. Along with many nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her husband Dale in 2012, parents Orval and Mildred Dowling, brothers William (Doris) Dowling, Robert Dowling, in infancy brother Gaylord, and infant sister.

Condolences may be expressed to the family on-line at www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com.

Cemetery Details

Randolph City Cemetery

Randolph, NE

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **29**. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
110 E Jackson St.
Randolph, NE 68771

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Stonacek Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Jane "Betty" Elizabeth Cunningham



Stonacek Funeral Chapel - November 18, 2025 at 02:29 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jane "Betty" Elizabeth Cunningham.



November 20, 2025 at 10:51 AM



“ Randy Lichliter planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jane "Betty" Elizabeth Cunningham.

Randy Lichliter - November 20, 2025 at 10:51 AM



“ Betty was a special neighbor mom to all of the Thies family. She raised amazing children who became our babysitters too. Such fond memories of her always being in her kitchen making something. RIP Christine (Thies) Audano

CHRISTINE AUDANO - November 19, 2025 at 11:15 AM



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Stonacek Funeral Chapel - November 19, 2025 at 10:30 AM



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