



## Mary L. Blair

February 23, 1931 - December 1, 2019

MEADOW GROVE -- Funeral service for Mary L. Blair, 88, of Meadow Grove will be held at 10:00 a.m., Friday, December 6, 2019 at the Stonacek Funeral Chapel in Norfolk with Pastor John Petersen officiating. Private family burial will be held at a later date at the Tilden City Cemetery. Mary died Sunday, December 1, 2019 at the Arbor Care Center in Neligh, Nebraska. Stonacek Funeral Chapel in Norfolk is in charge of the arrangements.

Mary L. Blair was born on February 23, 1931 in Antelope County in Nebraska to Edward and Marie (Tierney) Shenshew. She was married young to Pat Blair in Stanton, NE. They lived most of all of their adult lives in the Meadow Grove, Nebraska area.

Mary was born with a servants' heart. She truly loved to help others. When she was a child her first job was to pull dandelions for a penny a piece to help her family. When she got older she did in-home care for many people including painting, wall papering, garden work, plumbing, electrical, and chauffeuring. For a time, she worked in the laundry at Manor Hall in Tilden. The things she loved to do most on this earth were riding her bicycle (still at 86 years of age.) She and her granddaughter Melinda rode in many bike-a-thons. Mary liked working in her gardens and especially enjoyed baking cookies for everyone. Mary was known as the "cookie grandma."

Mary was a proud member of the United Methodist Church in Meadow Grove. She is survived by her son Duane L. (Susan) Blair of Murdock, NE, and their

children Bobby (Amber) Blair and their son Brady of Murdock, NE, Jennifer (Eric) Gilbert and their sons Jacob and Kameron of Watkins, CO, Melissa (Dan) O'Shaughnessy and their daughter Madison of Aurora, CO, her daughter Linda Petersen of Meadow Grove, NE and her children Patrick Petersen of Meadow Grove, NE, Melinda (Tyler) Kraus and their sons Jason, Justin, and Jedd, of Mullen, NE, Seth Petersen of Sioux Falls, SD, one sister Kay Papstein of Wisner, NE.

She was preceded in death by husband Pat in 1988, great-granddaughter Taryn Blair in 2003, her parents Ed and Marie, brothers Dallas, Bill, Jim, Vernon, Speck, and Don, and her sisters Glendoris, Ruth, Margaret, and Betty.

Condolences may be expressed to the family on-line at [www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com](http://www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Tilden City Cemetery - Tilden

East 8th Street (southeast corner of Tilden)  
Ph. (402) 368-2232  
Tilden, NE 68781

# Previous Events

## Service

DEC 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

Stonacek Funeral Chapel - Norfolk  
1200 N.13th St.  
Norfolk, NE 68701  
(402) 371-7676  
[info@stonacekfuneralchapel.com](mailto:info@stonacekfuneralchapel.com)  
<https://stonacekfuneralchapel.com/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mary L. Blair*

October 05, 2023 at 03:46 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss Linda. One of my nicest tax clients. She brought her colorful tax folder to my office every year - long after she was required to file - just to make sure she was covered. Her kind disposition will be dearly missed. God bless her.*  
*Jack Sobotka*

**Jack Sobotka** - December 09, 2019 at 04:43 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Mary L. Blair.*



December 04, 2019 at 09:56 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary L. Blair.*



December 04, 2019 at 08:39 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mary L. Blair.* ”



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December 03, 2019 at 07:00 AM