



Elaine Martindale

December 25, 1928 - December 13, 2010

Elaine M. Martindale, 81, of Holdrege and formerly of Elm Creek, died Monday, December 13, 2010 at Phelps County Health Center in Holdrege. Funeral services will be 11:00 am Thursday, December 16 at the O'Brien Straatmann Funeral Home. Chaplin DeWane Dow will officiate. Interment will be at 3:00 pm at the Brewster Cemetery. Visitation will be 5-7 Wednesday at the funeral home, and will continue one hour prior to the service. Memorials will be established in her name. Online condolences may be submitted to www.osafh.com. O'Brien Straatmann Funeral Home of Kearney is in charge of arrangements. Elaine was born to George and Marion (Baker) Wilkinson, December 25, 1928 in Dunning, NE. She grew up in Brewster and graduated from Brewster High School in 1946. She then attended Kearney State College and earned a BA and MA degree in English and Library science. She was married to Eldon Martindale on November 16, 1947 in Brewster. She taught school in Mullen for three years. They moved to Elm Creek in the fall of 1969. She worked for the Educational Service Unit #10 as director of media department for 15 years. She was a member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church in Holdrege. Her hobbies included painting and gardening. Survivors include daughter Claire A. Olson and husband Gayle of Holdrege; sons, Jay R. Martindale and wife Kathie of Brewster, Mark E. Martindale and wife Dee of Funk, and Glen L. Martindale of Whittington, IL; four grandchildren, 10 great grandchildren and special friend, Alvin Kellogg of Holdrege. She is preceded in death by her parents, husband and son Donald Martindale.

Tribute Wall



“ *Elaine Martindale*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *This is a time of sadness and loss for the family and friends of Elaine. The words of Apostle Paul provides comfort for us, "I'm going to be with Christ, which is better by far." In 1984, I was hired as the media director at ESU 7 in Columbus. Elaine immediately took me under her wing as my mentor. She truly embodied the meaning of the word. I have always given thanks for Elaine being in my life and have paid tribute to her by mentoring others as she mentored me. It was just a few days ago, that I was asked to recall a woman who has inspired me, Elaine's name was on the top of my list. I am so thankful for Elaine being in my life. Phyllis Brunken*

Phyllis Brunken - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ *I was very priveleged to be a student of Elaine Martindale's for the four years she taught at Mullen. She and my kindergarten teacher were the two most influential teachers in my life. There has never been more than a few days that go by that I haven't mentioned something Mrs. Martindale taught me. We shared alot beyond my English education. We shared our birthday and we shared a lasting friendship. She is forever in my heart.*

Mary Ann Sullivan Carlock - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

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“ *My sincere and deepest condolences to the deceased family. On behalf of the Holdrege Seventh-day Adventist Church, I would like to express our solidarity, support and prayers for comfort. May the good Lord give you peace that transcends all understanding and watch over everyone of you. As we wait for the soon revelation of our Savior in the clouds of glory, let us emulate the good life Elaine had left behind for us all to model after. God bless!*

Pr. Lawrence Francis - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM