



Emma L. Kring

June 20, 1929 - October 8, 2017

Emma Lee (Carrouth) Kring, 88, of Axtell, died Sunday, October 8th at Bethany Home, Minden, Nebraska.

Funeral services will be at 2:00 pm Friday, October 13, 2017 at First Presbyterian Church of Axtell. Interment will be in Pleasant Hill Cemetery. There will be no visitation.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to Alzheimer's Disease Research; 22512 Gateway Center Drive; Clarksburg, MD 20871. Condolences may be shared online at www.osrfh.com. O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home is serving the family.

Emma was born June 20, 1929 in Danville, Arkansas to Lonnie J. and Chessie (Millard) Carrouth. Since it was during the Depression, her family moved to various towns in Arkansas and Oklahoma. Emma graduated from Carlisle Arkansas High School in 1947. At a skating rink in Norman, Oklahoma, she met the love of her life Seaman First Class Archie Kring who was stationed there. After Archie's discharge, he returned to Norman for Emma and they were then married August 21, 1947 in Carlisle, Arkansas. To this union three daughters were born Janet, Jeannine, and Jayne.

They moved to Milford for Archie to attend Nebraska State Trade School and after his graduation they moved to Mason City, Iowa where Janet was born.

Deciding to be closer to family, they returned to Kearney, NE and at that point Emma was very busy with two little girls, maintaining a household and raising a large garden. In 1954, moving the family to the renovated District 50 school house, they began farming full time with his parents. Now Emma had three little girls, a farmer, a larger garden, and lots of animals to take care of. Additionally, she took up sewing, painting, canning, decorating a house, driving tractors and trucks to aid on the farm. She used her hobbies which led to employment positions with a neighborhood Tole Painting business, seamstress for Horizon Designs, and an employee in the craft and sewing department for Walmart. Emma devoted time to the First Presbyterian Church Women's Circle, teaching Sunday School, 4-H Leadership, the neighborhood bowling league, and the Sunday evening family skating nights.

Archie and Emma retired from farming in the late 1990's. Their years of retirement were spent traveling/camping, gardening, visiting family, and enjoying their hobbies. Archie preceded her in death on August 9, 2017.

Emma is survived by her daughters Janet Reeves and her husband Don of Axtell and their daughters Darcy and Danel; Jeannine Cramer and her husband Brian of Denver and their sons Michael and David; and Jayne Steffens and her husband John of Lincoln and their sons Chris and his wife Heather and Matt. Great Grandchildren include John, Jordyn, Jakob, Kennedy, Payton, Parker, Isaac, and Evan; her brother, Johnny Ray Carrouth and wife Sylvia of Georgia and her sister, Sandra Kay Baldwin and husband Randy of Alabama.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband.

Cemetery Details

Pleasant Hill Cemetery

Axtell, NE

Previous Events

Funeral Service

OCT 13. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church
Axtell, NE

Tribute Wall



“ *Emma L. Kring*

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“ *I am a cousin of Emma. I didn't know her but I knew her parents, who were my great-aunt and uncle. I also never met Archie. I just heard about her death and wanted to send my condolences to her children and grand-children. Roy Leighton Millard, Little Rock, Arkansas, April 4, 2018.*

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