



Lydia Boysal

June 4, 1918 - July 28, 2013

Lydia Boysal, 95
Bellevue resident

Lydia Boysal, 95, of Bellevue, died Sunday, July 28, 2013 at the St. John's Good Samaritan Center in Kearney. A memorial service will be held 10:30 A.M. Tuesday, July 30, 2013 at the O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney with the Rev. Duane Duley officiating. There will be no visitation and interment will take place at a later date. Memorials are suggested to the family for Sand Hills Crane Conservation. Condolences or personal reflections may be submitted at www.osrfh.com. O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home of Kearney is in charge of arrangements.

Bertha "Lydia" Boysal was born June 4, 1918 in Valentine, NE to Harvey Alta (Martin) Hoover. She was united in marriage to Lorence Boysal on November 15, 1954. Lorence Boysal died January 18, 1989. Family, friends, gardening, and cooking were Lydia's passion and delight. She grew up during a depression when her talents were so vitally important. She was also a welder during WWII and played a small part in the Hollywood movie, "The Hurricane" in 1937. She loved to host and entertain her large family at her farm formerly known as Smiley's Water Gardens (previously one of Nebraska's 7 wonders) in Beaver Crossing. She was very active and loved

being outdoors. Everything she touched seemed to grow and flourish. Her husband used to warn her when putting new fence posts in, "Don't touch these or they'll sprout roots and grow too!" Lydia loved her farm animals; especially fowl. Family and friends might remember the heat lamps and little hatchlings she always seemed to have in her kitchen every spring. She tended the farm well into her 60's. She was an amazing cook and baker. Her favorite and most often proclaimed compliment from her husband was, "You outdid yourself again!" after a good meal. The family wishes to thank all of those who have been a part of her long and wonderful life. Plants are welcome at the service.

Lydia is survived by her daughters; Arlene, Virginia, Linda, and Caroline. She also leaves behind 25 grandchildren, 25 great grandchildren, and at least 10 great-great grandchildren.

Tribute Wall



“ *Lydia Boysal*

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