



## Martha L. Whitesel

August 3, 1920 - October 15, 2014

Martha L. Whitesel, 94, of Holdrege, formerly of Miller, died Wednesday, October 15, 2014 at Christian Homes in Holdrege. Funeral services will be Friday, October 24, 2014 at 11:00 am at the Miller Methodist Church with Pastor Bonnie Brock officiating. Burial will be at the Armada Cemetery near Miller. Visitation will be Thursday, October 23rd from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney and one hour prior to the service Friday at the church in Miller. Memorials are suggested to the Miller United Methodist Church. Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney are in charge of arrangements.

Martha was born August 3, 1920 in Eddyville, NE to Edward and Berniece (Carr) Miller. She attended school in Eddyville and graduated from Eddyville High School in 1938. She then attended Kearney Normal School. She traveled to and from college riding the "MOTOR" from Eddyville to Kearney and back on weekends. She taught school at Capitol Hill Rural School south of Miller for 2 years. She met Russell Whitesel, who was on the school board at the time, and they were married on May 9, 1942 in Hastings. To this union 3 children were born, James, Deanna, and Patricia. Martha was active in several community organizations such as the H.O.A. club (Help Others

Always), the H.O.P. club (Help Other People), was an active member in the United Methodist Church in Miller, and United Methodist Women. Russell and Martha were youth leaders for many years. Martha lived on the family farm until 1993. When her husband's health required him to be in Christian Homes, she moved to Holdrege to be near him.

Martha is survived by her son Jim Whitesel and his wife Carol of Miller, NE daughters Pat Fulmer and her husband Kim of Holdrege, NE, Deanna Cline and her husband Johnny of Valentine, NE, 4 grandsons, 5 granddaughters, 17 great grandchildren, 5 great great grandchildren, sister-in-law Mildred Whitesel of North Platte, NE, Esther Miller of Ainsworth, NE, nieces, and nephews..

Martha was preceded in death by her husband Russell, and one brother Marvin Miller.

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Martha L. Whitesel*

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *Dear Jim, Deanna, Pat and families,  
What wonderful memories you have of your parents ... let these  
memories get you through the next few days and know that Martha  
and Russell are together again in their heavenly home.*

**Ron & Linda (Mowrey)Larchick** - October 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *You all have been in my prayers. Because of your parents, I know  
God and walk with him. I am so glad she is with my father where  
there is no more tears and pain.*

*Deanne*

**Deanne Bentley Alton** - October 23, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *My condolences to the family of Martha Whitesel. I was the pastor  
at Miller UMC from 1982 - 1985 and have great memories of  
Martha, Russell, and their family. May you be filled with the peace of  
God during this time.*

*Paul*

**Paul Blanchard** - October 23, 2014 at 12:00 AM