



Edna Schuitema

September 16, 1917 - December 6, 2015

Edna Schuitema went to heaven on Sunday, December 6, 2015. Born to Samuel and Grace Plagenhoef, on September 16, 1917, Edna attended Holland Schools and was a member of the original Klompen Dancers. She was preceded in death by her husband of 74 years, Edwin, her parents, and brothers, Nelson and Stanley. She is survived by her children, Lee (Sandra) Schuitema, Bonnie Schuitema, "adopted" daughter Clover Lynn Alderink; grandchildren: E.J., Karen (Craig) VanderHeide and Scott L.; great-grandchildren: Erika and Amy Schuitema and Garrett VanderHeide, nieces and nephews. Edna was a member of Second Reformed Church. She taught Sunday School for years, and was a member of Second Church Women. She belonged to the American Legion Auxiliary, Gilbert D. Karsten Unit #33 of Zeeland since 1946. She served locally and as President of the Fifth District in 1952. In 1959 she was elected State Chaplain and in 1960 as State President. In 1961 she served as National Executive Committeewoman and served on the National Education Committee. Edna worked on many programs of the American Legion Auxiliary, including 40 years on Girls State. Following her state presidency, her Unit awarded her a Life Membership. Visitation will be from 12:15-1:15 p.m. Saturday, December 12, 2015 at Second Reformed Church, 225 East Central Avenue, Zeeland with a funeral service to follow at 1:30 p.m. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the Children's Ministry of Second Church or Michigan American Legion Auxiliary Girls State. www.yntemafh.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Edna Schuitema*

August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *"My condolences to the family. Edna always was cheerful, and I am grateful for her dedicated leadership in the American Legion Auxiliary. Edna and Ed were good friends."*

Doris Lievense - December 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *"Edna was a great influence in the American Legion Auxiliary. She was loved and respected by many. We will miss her wit and wisdom. Sympathy to Bonnie and Clover Lynn."*

Terri Brodock - December 11, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Edna Schuitema*

Tooge Willyard - December 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *"Bonnie & Cloverlynn sending our thoughts and prayers in the loss of your mom, she was a special lady, always a smile on her face"*

Jerry - December 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM