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Lucille K. Ruma, 93, of Bryant, Iowa, died Sunday, January 15, 2012 at Prairie Hills. Services will be 10:30 am, Wednesday, January 18, 2012 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Sugar Creek, Iowa. Visitation will be 3 - 7 pm Tuesday, January 17, 2012 at the Clinton Chapel Snell-Zornig Funeral Home & Crematory, where a Rosary will be recited at 7pm. Burial will be in the St. Mary's Cemetery, Bryant, Iowa. Pallbearers will be Allen Kreikemeier, Bill Buettner, Sherrie Fischer, Wenndie Kline, David Farrell and Steven Farrell. Lucille was born December 24, 1918 in Belgrade, NE, the daughter of John E. and Julia (Carroll) Kennedy. She married Sam Ruma in Cedar Rapids, Nebraska; he died June 23, 1994. Lucille had many careers as she journeyed throughout life. She was a wife, mother, grand, great-grand and great great-grandmother. Family, faith and friends were the most important to her. Lucille grew up on a Nebraska farm, graduated from Cedar Rapids, Nebraska High School, moved to Omaha and later married a city slicker, Sam. Lucille and Sam loved to dance; and even taught ballroom dancing. Later they enjoyed square dancing. They moved to Iowa in 1940, where Sam was a pharmacist. In 1953 they became co-owners of Sam's Pharmacy. Lucille showed her compassion for people as a physical therapist aide and later as a bookkeeper at Jane Lamb Physical Therapy for 30 years. She also enjoyed reading (and holding a book!), traveling, bowling and gardening, including raising flowers. Playing cards was a favorite past time. Her second Wednesday of the month 500 club of 50 plus years was a top priority. Lucille enjoyed being Irish and loved St. Patrick's Day. Her family would attest to the fact that because of her Sicilian husband, she became the best Irish meatball and spaghetti maker in the world. As a devout Catholic, the rosary was her favorite prayer, followed closely by the Guardian Angel prayer and her devotion to St. Theresa. Survivors include her daughter, Lu Ann Farrell of Bryant, IA; sons, John A. (Penney) Ruma of Valley, NE and Sam R. (Janice) Ruma of Texarkana, AR; 11 grandchildren, 29 great-grandchildren; two great



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great-grandchildren; brothers, Melvin J. (Bernita) Kennedy of Grand Island, NE and Carroll (Jeanine) Kennedy of Cedar Rapids, NE; sisters, Joan (Richard) Batenhorst of Omaha, NE and Jean Lutz of Houston, TX and several nieces and nephews. In addition to her husband she was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers and one sister. Memorials may be made to the family for a charity of their choice.



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AL

Ann Pearson (Nee Lutz) posted:

I have such lovely memories of Aunt Lucille and our visits every summer from Texas. She always made me feel welcome. I will miss her, and will keep all the family in my thoughts and prayers during this sad time. Love, Annie

January 14 at 7:00 PM

LH

Lori Havens posted:

Sorry to hear of your loss. Let your memories help you through this difficult time. Thinking of you all and wishing we could be there.

January 14 at 7:00 PM

JS

Jacquie (Ruma) Shemek posted:

We miss you TONS! Say hi to G-pa for us!

January 14 at 7:00 PM

PC

Paul And Joan (Lutz) Covell posted:

We are saddened by the news of Lucille's passing, but thankful that she was with loved ones and that it was a peaceful parting. We are blanketing you all with our prayers. Marilyn and Bob will be coming with all our love. Much love, Joan

January 14 at 7:00 PM

KK

Kim And Joe Kennedy posted:

THE WEAVING
My life is but a weaving, between my God and me;
I do not choose the colors, He worketh steadily.
Oft times He weaveth sorrow, and I in foolish pride
Forget He sees the upper, and I the under side.
Not til the loom is silent, and shuttles cease to fly
Will God unroll the canvas and explain the reason why
The dark threads are as needful in the skillful Weaver's hand
As threads of gold and silver in the pattern He has planned.
-Anonymous

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Loraine Kennedy (Weil) posted:

I remember Aunt Lucille, her smile and twinkling eyes. One of my early memories is going to Iowa with my parents and sister Sharon in a VW beetle to a big party at Sam and Lucille's house (for Bob and Janice's wedding I think). I remember spaghetti and meatballs and lots of celebrating. I will be thinking of you all today, with special thoughts for LuAnn, John and Bob and their families.

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Greg & Terri Wiese posted:

Our sincere sympathy to your family.

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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Lucille by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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