

Alice “Sally” Dubbs

Alice Elsie "Sally" Dubbs lived 100 years and five days, passing away November 16, 2013 at the Good Samaritan Center in Wood River.

She was born November 11, 1913, at Wood River, Neb., to Paul and Margaret (Allen) Quisenberry. She grew up on a farm in the Schauppsville community between Wood River and Alda, attending country school and graduating from Wood River High School in 1930. She took normal Training and then taught in the Wood River area.

She was united in marriage to Carl Brittin, December 23, 1934. Carl died July 7, 1949. The couple had two daughters, Darlene and Jeanette.

While raising her daughters she worked in doctors' offices for Dr. Ervin King and later for Dr. C.E. Wiltse. With no prior training she performed various nursing duties such as giving shots, taking blood counts, doing x-rays, and assisting in medical procedures along with her receptionist and bookkeeping duties.

After the doctor's office was closed, she was a secretary at Wood River high School. She later returned to college, and received her Bachelor's Degree in elementary education at Kearney State College in 1969. She taught second grade in Wood River from 1960 to 1979 when she retired.

She was united in marriage to William Dubbs April 15, 1960 in Lincoln, Neb. They lived on a farm northwest of Wood River until building a home in Wood River in 1977. He passed away April 21, 1984.

She enjoyed spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren, sewing, square dancing, crafts, playing cards and games.

She was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church where she held different offices in the church and ladies' groups and the Retired Teachers Association. She received special recognition for being a 75-year member of the order of Easter Star in 2011.

In addition to her husbands, she was preceded in death by her parents, daughter, Darlene Moffett, brother Arthur Quisenberry and wife Fran, sister Ferne Thompson and husband Kirk O, brother-in-law Jabe Hansen and sister-in-law Minnie Quisenberry.

She was survived by a daughter Jeanette (Jim) Dean of Columbus, a brother, Paul Quisenberry of Wood River and sister, Marian Hansen of Aurora, grandchildren Debra (Brad) Obermiller, Diane (Richard) Spiehs, Dixie (Todd) McCord all of Cairo, Kimberly (Patrick) Hannon of Shelton, Karla Schnacker of Hastings and Kevin Bombeck of Wood River.

Great Grandchildren include Kassie (Steve) Hancock, Jason Spiehs, Jeff (Randie) Spiehs, Jessica Jacobsen, Lacey, Dustin & Peyton McCord, Krista (Damien) Cullen, Kelsey (Jonathan) Chittenden, Kara Hannon, Zachery & Kyle Schnacker, and Benjamin and Riley Bombeck.

Great, great grandchildren include Emerson & Jarret Hancock, Barrett Jacobsen, and Reagan and Tynnlee Spiels.

She was also survived by many nieces and nephews.

A Named Fund was established in Alice "Sally's" name. In recognition of her association with the Wood River Elementary school as secretary and then teacher of the second grade for 19 years the family designated the memorial to be used to benefit the 2nd grade class. Teachers will know a need; it might be something for their classroom or an education program or event. She would be so pleased to have the 2nd grade benefit and enjoy.