



Ione Marie Benson

April 10, 1924 - August 31, 2015

Ione Marie Benson, age 91 of Spring Grove passed away suddenly on August 31, 2015 at Gundersen Lutheran Onalaska Renal in Onalaska, WI

She was born April 10, 1924 in Spring Grove to Olaf and Anna (Kieland) Hagen. She was a lifelong Spring Grove area resident.

Ione was a graduate of Spring Grove Public School, and attended business classes at what is now W.T.C. in La Crosse, WI

On Dec. 26, 1943, Ione married Alden Benson at Trinity Lutheran Church in Spring Grove. Alden preceded Ione in death on Dec. 2, 1980.

Ione worked at Control Data in her early years, and then as a Dietary Aide for Tweeten Memorial Hospital in Spring Grove for 17 years. She retired from that position in 1987.

Ione was a dedicated member/officer in the American Legion Auxiliary for 67 years. She held the office of president for three terms. She worked with the Bloodmobile for 58 years during which time she received 3 certificates of appreciation for over 50 years of service. During that time she did numerous jobs including coordinator for 14 of those years. The American Red Cross awarded Ione the Circle of Excellence Award in 2004.

For 19 years she volunteered in the Spring Grove Library, along with serving on the library board.

In 1995, Ione was awarded the Mest Hoyaktet Dame (Most Honored Lady).

Along with receiving the Spring Grove volunteer Award in 2006, she was also honored by receiving the 2007 Houston County Outstanding Citizen.

Our mom not only loved and enjoyed family, but was blessed to develop so many special friendships throughout her entire life.

Survivors include her children David Benson, Linda (Dennis) Williams, Ellen Murphy (fiance Steve Onsgard), Roger (Deb) Benson, and Diane (Bill) Pintz. Grandchildren: Suzi Benson, Scott (Glory) Benson, Keta Newhouse Benson, Brian (Katie) Williams, Jim (Aimee) Murphy, Lisa Murphy, Katie Rose Benson. Great-grandchildren; Lori Santos, Alaiyah Benson, Arliana Benson, Sandia Benson, Luciana Benson, Angelo Benson, Kaylee Williams, Ashton Williams, Mason Williams, Jack Williams, Ethan Murphy, Bree Murphy, Wyatt Murphy, Jaedyn Freshwater, Abbie Freshwater.

Brother Owen (Gayle) Hagen, sister, Ardys Hurley, Sister-in-law Betty Benson, and brother-in-law Paul (Mary) Benson.

Mom is also survived by many special nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband Alden, lone was preceded in death by her grandson, Mike Williams, great-granddaughter Alyssa Williams and brothers-in-law Bob Hurley and Verdel Benson.

Cemetery Details

Trinity Lutheran Cemetery

Hwy 44
Spring Grove, MN 55974

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 5. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Trinity Lutheran Church
203 E. Main St.
Spring Grove, MN 55974
trinity@springgrove.coop

Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ *The Pintz family. purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of lone Marie Benson.*



The Pintz family. - September 04, 2015 at 03:36 PM

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“ lone is a great friend of the family and the community. We had fun at the annual Military Balls that we attended together. lone always had a kind word, and we shared many good laughs. Whenever she saw mom - Valborg Clauson - lone said "my best-est best friend." We learned a lot about friendship, loyalty, and volunteerism from these two great friends. Not long before lone stopped driving (so at a pretty impressive age), we could not track down mom. All of us were calling around and wondering where she was until we reached her after midnight. Where had she been? Out for a drive with lone of course. They got tickets to the Oak Ridge Boys and drove to Rochester for the concert! It was snowing pretty hard when the concert ended. As their luck would have it, a friend from Spring Grove happened to be sitting near them, and he scraped the snow off the car before they drove home. When we expressed concern, they said they just took their time, and had a good chat on the way home. They had such great times. lone will truly be missed. All our love and prayers from the Clauson family. Karen



Karen Clauson - September 04, 2015 at 11:50 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ione Marie Benson.*



September 04, 2015 at 10:54 AM