



## Ellen Louise Cox Erickson

September 8, 1931 - June 6, 2023

Mineral Point - Ellen Louise Cox Erickson passed away peacefully at her home on Tuesday, June 6, 2023.

Born Sept. 8, 1931 at Dodgeville General Hospital to Blanche Gant Cox and G. Vernon Cox. Ellen had two children Karyle Elyse (Dallas Johnson) and Kim David (Claire) Erickson.

Ellen was predeceased by her parents, brother George, and daughter, Karyle.

Ellen is survived by her son Kim and his wife Claire, grandchildren Angela (Spencer) Straub, Kimberly (Josh) Hill, David (Andrea) Erickson, and Katy (Daniel) Schulz. Ellen treasured her thirteen great-grandchildren: Karolyn Straub; Cody, Zoe, Jolie, and Sophie Hill; Brenden, Elena, Tessa, and Bennett Erickson; and Hudson, Harper, Hannah, and Henry Schulz.

Ellen was a lifelong learner and educator and began her teaching career at Fort Defiance School in 1950. She also taught at Farmer, Moscow Center, Blanchardville, and Jonesdale Schools before her long-time career at Mineral Point Elementary School where she retired in 1996 after 38 years of teaching Mineral Point's first graders. Ellen taught Sunday School and played organ at Waldwick Church, as well as singing for weddings and funerals. Ellen belonged to the Mineral Point Historical Society, UW-Platteville Alumni, and

Mineral Point retired teachers groups.

Ellen loved polka dancing and traveling with friends during her career. After retirement; in addition to traveling to over 55 countries, enjoying Friday breakfasts with her high school classmates, and attending Badger football games with her daughter and son-in-law, Ellen did genealogy research for family history and loved to share the information she found.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, June 17, 2023 at 12:00 at the WALDWICK COMMUNITY CHURCH. Pastor David Ritchie will officiate. A visitation will be held on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon at the church. Burial will be in the Jackson Cemetery in rural Waldwick.

We would like to thank Agrace Hospice for their care, especially her nurses Bryanna and Renae.

# Cemetery Details

## Jackson Cemetery

Waldwick, WI 53565

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 17. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM.

Waldwick Community Church

## Memorial Service

JUN 17. 12:00 PM.

Waldwick Community Church

# Tribute Wall

DK

“ So sorry to hear of Ellen's death, was great teacher my kids had and loved doing research on family history in Mineral Point. Was a good neighbor and very sorry to hear of her passing.

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**Debbie Kieffer** - June 30, 2023 at 09:29 AM

KM

“ Inspiring to read comments and hear from so many persons who enjoyed my Aunt Ellen as a grade school teacher; truly making a difference in young lives! I have so many pleasant memories; especially from my very youngest years as we shared holidays, summer picnics, and play times with my maternal Erickson cousins, Karyle and Kim; and Berg cousins, Nolan, Natalee, and Donna. Ellen was always so friendly and supplied a burst of positive energy wherever she went!

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**Ken McKenzie** - June 23, 2023 at 02:16 PM

DT

“ Sharing for my brother Douglas Thompson who had Mrs. Erickson as a teacher when he was in third grade at Moscow Center in 1955. She was as good of teacher that you could ever have. She was very caring and that Christmas she gave all the students a Morgan silver dollar. Which is still cherished. What a beautiful life she had.

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**Douglas Thompson** - June 18, 2023 at 01:06 PM

RC

“ Anyone who had Mrs. Erickson knew she was a loving and confident teacher. I remember her so well and how she loved each of her students. She never allowed any kind of bullying in any of the grades. If she saw it happening she would resolve it fast. I enjoyed her zest for teaching and her willingness to go the extra mile for her class. She saw potential in people and she believed everyone was capable of doing their best. Thank you for being an amazing educator. I am very sorry for your loss.

Rebecca Thiede Cleary - June 17, 2023 at 11:20 PM

LR

“ Ellen was my first grade teacher. What a wonderful way to start your school experience. She was a wonderful women and will be greatly missed.

Linda Rowley - June 14, 2023 at 01:13 PM

DT

“ My sympathy to Ellen's family. My son, Tom Toay, saw her obituary and shared with me that she was his first-grade teacher in Mineral Point and that he still has the ceramic Christmas ornament she gave him and it has her name on it. I don't remember if she had any of my other kids as students. I do know she was a great teacher. May she RIP.



Donna Toay - June 13, 2023 at 11:05 AM

LH

“ *Ellen was my supervising teacher during my student teaching experience. She was extremely energetic and fun-loving. She always had a story or experience to tell, was a gracious listener, and was a truly welcoming person. I last saw her in 2021 with a brief visit before Christmas. She was a gem and will be missed my all whose path she crossed. My condolences to her family.*

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**Laurie Heimsoth** - June 12, 2023 at 08:38 PM

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“ *My condolences to Ellen's family. My sister Mary and brother Gary Persinger were students of hers in the Jonesdale school.*

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**Sue Nordby** - June 12, 2023 at 07:44 PM