



## Irene Mathews

January 12, 1937 - April 27, 2016

Irene Mathews, 79, of rural Bluffs passed away Wednesday, April 27, 2016, at her residence. She was born, Jan. 12, 1937, in Hull, the daughter of William and Mabel Lewton Booker. She married Wilbur Mathews, Sept. 19, 1953, in Pocahontas, AK. Surviving is her husband, Wilbur; children, Marilyn Kaye (John) Gotschall of Jacksonville, Michael Mathews of Bluffs, and James (Barbara) Mathews of Bluffs; eight grandchildren, Marni Dees, Loni Crowder, Elise Gotschall, Brooke Smith, Jennifer Keene, Laci Englebrecht, Corey Mathews, and Kyle Mathews; 13 great grandchildren; sisters, Shirley Berry of Bluffs, Carla (Robert) Hill of Nebo; and brothers, William Booker of Baylis and Marvin Booker of Meredosia.

Irene was a former employee of the Bank of Bluffs.

At Irene's request, a private graveside service will be held at the Gilham Cemetery near Winchester. Memorials are suggested to the Bluffs-Meredosia Rescue Squad.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Irene Mathews*

January 28, 2023 at 11:11 AM



“ *We are sorry to learn about the passing of Irene. Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you as you celebrate her life.*  
*Love, Ed and Pat Frost*

**Ed and Pat Frost** - April 29, 2016 at 09:34 PM



“ *I have two memories that popped in my mind. When Irene made grandma's chicken and noodles and one year put it in a bag and I brought it home on the plane to Florida. And when my mom died Megan fell in love with one of the kittens that were out in the shed and Irene pounded on the sides and the mothers ran out and Megan picked one out and we couldn't take it on the plane so Matthew put it in one of his pockets and he got through because it was easier than to get by with that. I stayed behind when the kids went home to go to school and I stayed with my dad for a week. Irene had given Megan two little plastic containers and she took yarn and sewed them together for a little cage and she named her after my Dad's pet name for my mom, Hazel. We eventually had to give her to my friend because Matthew and I were allergic to her. And I had to feed her with her little bottle every day and every time I went to my friend's, even if it had been a long time she always remembered me. She lived a very good life for 12 years and that was all because of the help of Irene. You're at peace now. And my condolences to everyone.*



**Juli** - April 29, 2016 at 04:43 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you,*

*JoAnn Chumley and The All Occasions Staff*



**JoAnn Chumley** - April 29, 2016 at 09:31 AM

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“ So sorry to hear of her passing. Prayers for all the family.  
Love Roger Graves Families



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**Roger Graves** - April 28, 2016 at 07:04 PM