

JOSEPH LEROY DAMMAN AND UNA FRANCES MILLER

Joseph Leroy Damman

Born; July 14, 1906

Melbourne, Iowa

Baptized; September 30, 1906

Witness; Samuel Tinnermeier

Confirmation; 1921

Married; December 26, 1928

Celebrated their Golden Anniversary

December 26, 1978

WIFE:

Una Frances Miller

Born; March 4, 1913

Newton, Iowa

Died; December 19, 1981

Marshalltown, Iowa

Buried; Melbourne Cemetery

Melbourne, Iowa

CHILDREN:

Joan Margaret, Elna Mae

WIFE:

Verna Keeler

Born; December 26, 1909

Married; October 9, 1982

Joseph Leroy Damman; son of

Martin Carl Damman

Matilda Wilhelmina Tinnermeier

Una Frances Miller; daughter of

Ralph Miller

Belle Parmley

Verna Keeler; daughter of

Christ J. Stofferhan

Ella Mary Tordsen



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Joan Margaret Damman 11-10-30

Elna Mae Damman 2-3-36

Society and Clubs

Damman-Pfantz Vows At State Center Church

Trinity Lutheran church in State Center provided the setting for a lovely early fall wedding, Sunday, October 2, when Miss Joan Margaret Damman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Damman of Melbourne, became the bride of Don Earl Pfantz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pfantz of State Center. The Rev. Karl J. Baumgart, pastor of the church, officiated at the double ring candlelight service at 7:30 o'clock in the presence of 185 guests.

Two large baskets of pink and white gladioli against a background of potted palms and ferns decorated the altar which was lighted with two seven branch candles on either side. The bridal aisle was carpeted in white satin and lighted with tall white tapers attached to the pews with encircling greenery.

Mrs. Cyril German provided the nuptial music playing a twenty minute prelude of appropriate selections. She also accompanied Denny Swartz who sang "The Lord's Prayer" and "I Love You Truly." "The Bridal Chorus" from Lohengrin was used for the processional and Mendelssohn's Wedding March for the recessional. Mrs. German was attired in a pink formal and wore a corsage of white carnations.

Miss Joleen Pfanz, sister of the bridegroom, and Mrs. Lavonne Hamler of Marshalltown served as candle-lighters and were charming in frocks of pink and yellow taffeta respectively. Their gowns were styled with a deep ruffled dropped neckline which formed the sleeves, tight bodices and long full skirts. They wore matching lace mitts and headbands of chrysanthemums. They carried bouquets of white chrysanthemums tied with satin ribbons to match their gowns.

Miss Elna Damman attended her sister as maid of honor and was attractive in a gown of blue taffeta designed like that of the candle-lighters. She also wore matching lace mitts, a flower head-dress and carried white chrysanthemums with blue ribbon interwoven.

The Bride

The bride, given in marriage by her father, was lovely in traditional white satin trimmed in lace. The net yoke was banded with two full lace ruffles and the long bridal point sleeves were button trimmed. A row of satin covered buttons extended down the back from neckline to bodice. Her long flowing skirt extended into a court train. She wore a finger tip veil of sheer illusion edged with lace and arranged with a beaded coronet. Her shower bouquet was of red roses and white satin ribbons.

Glen Pfantz served his brother as best man and the ushers were Glen Weuze and Harold Bales of Marshalltown. The men of the bridal party all wore white carnation boutonnieres.

The bride's mother wore green crepe with black accessories and a corsage of red roses and white chrysanthemums.

The bridegroom's mother was in plum colored satin with black accessories and a corsage of yellow roses.

Reception

Immediately following the ceremony a reception was held in the church parlors. Mrs. Glen Pfantz was in charge of the guest book and the gifts were cared for by the Misses Verl Hamler and Carol Bradley, both of Marshalltown.

Mrs. Amanda Hilleman and Mrs. Andrew Goodman served as dining room hostesses. The bridal table was appointed in pink and white and centered with a five-tiered white wedding cake topped with a miniature bridal couple and encircled at the base with pink rose buds. Tall white tapers and pink roses in crystal were used in the other decorations. The pink napkins were lettered with the names of the couple. Mrs. Glen Weuve presided as pourer and Mrs. R. Raridon, aunt of the bride, served the cake. Denny Swartz sang "Always" during the reception hour.

Trip To Southland

The couple left later on a wedding trip through the southern states and the bride wore for traveling a black frock with satin trim and matching accessories.



Mr. and Mrs. Pfantz

Mrs. Pfantz is a graduate of Newton high school and has been employed in Marshalltown.

Mr. Pfantz was graduated from the State Center high school and served a year and a half with the U. S. army at home and in Germany during World war II. He is now employed by the Central Iowa Telephone company. The couple will make their home in Marshalltown.

Out of town guests present were from Melbourne, Newton, Marshalltown, Rhodes, Baxter, Van Cleve and other surrounding communities.

Will Be Bride



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Joan Damman

Melbourne — (Special) — Mr. and Mrs. Joe L. Damman of Melbourne announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Joan Margaret to Don Earl Pfantz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert L. Pfantz of State Center. The wedding will take place Oct. 2 at the Trinity Lutheran church in State Center.

Parents Don + Joan
 Douglas Craig Pfantz 3-27-53
 m. Penny Connley
 Zachary Douglas 9-17-81
 Brent Connley 5-5-84
 Nicholas Joseph 10-5-88
 Joel Lee Pfantz 6-15-57
 m. Christi Ruff
 Melissa Lee 7-11-85
 Joshua Lee 7-7-87
 Amber Lee 7-21-90
 Jody Ann Pfantz
 m. Terry White
 Chase
 Riley

blican, Wed., Sept. 22, 1954

Miss Elna Mae Damman Weds In Melbourne Church Ceremony

MELBOURNE — (Special) — The Evangelical and Reformed Church was the setting of a wedding Sunday evening when Miss Elna Mae Damman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe L. Damman of Melbourne, became the bride of Dwight De Jong, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis De Jong of Baxter. The Rev. Ruben Grosshuesch read the candlelight double ring service at 7:30 p.m. in the presence of a large number of guests.

Warren Jontz and Don Pfantz seated the guests and also lighted the candles. Baskets of white gladioli against a background of greenery were the altar decorations. The bridal aisle was lighted with tapers at the pews.

Mrs. Howard Powers played nuptial music and accompanied Wilbur Klatt soloist.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of nylon tulle and Chantilly lace and a veil of silk illusion. She carried a shower bouquet of red roses. Her pearl necklace was a gift of the bridegroom.

Mrs. Don Pfantz of Melbourne attended her sister as matron of honor. Her gown was of pink net over taffeta and she carried white carnations. Edgar Krueger of Baxter served as best man.

Mesdames Dale Wastier, Austin Reynolds and Donald Young were hostesses at the reception held in the church parlors. Others assisting were Mesdames Warren Jontz, Donnie Stubbe, Darrell De Jong, Gerald Kielly, Edgar Kruger and Miss Vada Phillips.

Both Mr. and Mrs. De Jong are graduates of Baxter High School. After a wedding trip to the Wisconsin Dells they will live in Baxter where he owns and operates the Baxter Oil Co.



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Mr. and Mrs. De Jong

Bryan Louis DeJong 7-2-59
 m. Karen Rooney
 Gabriel Louis DeJong
 8-9-90
 Dylan
 Alan John DeJong 10-9-61
 m. Lisa Timm
 Taylor Ann DeJong
 2-27-89
 Zoey



In Loving Memory Of Joe L. Damman

DATE OF BIRTH

July 14, 1906

Logan Township, Marshall County, Iowa

DATE OF DEATH

Monday, February 28, 2000

Marshalltown, Iowa

FUNERAL SERVICES

Thursday, March 2, 2000, 1:30 PM

St. John United Church of Christ

Melbourne, Iowa

OFFICIATING

Reverend Linda Schmidt

MUSIC

Organist: Mrs. Esther Riley

Vocalist: Joyce Bollhoefer

CASKETBEARERS

Floyd (Donnie) Engle Bob Mosebach Paul Ficken

Delmar Tigges Floyd Herzog Denny Lanning

HONORARY CASKETBEARERS

Charles Waltemeyer, Edwin Harsha,

Jim Sinning, Gene Gibbs

INTERMENT

Melbourne Cemetery

Melbourne, Iowa

Immediately following the funeral service, friends
are invited downstairs for a reception.

"GOD TAKES THE BEST"

God saw you getting tired
And a cure was not to be,
So He put His arm around you
And whispered "Come With Me".
With tearful eyes we watched you suffer.
And we watched you fade away.
Although we loved you dearly,
We couldn't make you stay.
A golden heart stopped beating,
You're now at peaceful rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us,
He only takes the best.
God saw you getting weary,
and did what He thought best.
He came and stood beside you,
and whispered, "Come and rest."

Arrangements Entrusted To

RYAN-DAVIS

FUNERAL HOME

Melbourne, Iowa

Joan Pfantz mother
Doug, Joel + Jody's grandmother
Brian + Allan ~~Pfantz~~ De Jong

Services from

St. John

United Church of Christ

Melbourne, Iowa

December 23, 1981

11:00 A.M.

Minister

Rev. Keith Selberg

Organist

Mrs. Ruth Eggers

Singers

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Long

Selections

"In the Garden"

"Beautiful Isle of Somewhere"

In Memory of

MRS. JOE (UNA) DAMMAN

Born March 4, 1913

Newton, Iowa

Died December 19, 1981

Marshalltown, Iowa

Following the services friends are
invited to meet with the family
in the Fellowship Hall of the
Church.

Casket Bearers

Phil Buck

Edwin Harsha

Alfred Waterman

Everett Baker

Ray Burris

Floyd Engle

Honorary Bearers

Harlan Wulke

Russell Kielly

Albert Womack

Ervin Vogt

Maurice Wycoff

George Huber

Interment

Melbourne Cemetery

Melbourne, Iowa



Elna Mae De Jong, 80, of Baxter, passed away, surrounded by her loving family, on Friday, December 16, 2016 at Skiff Medical Center in Newton, Iowa.

Elna Mae was born on February 3, 1936 in Newton to Joe and Una (Miller) Damman. She attended Baxter High School, was their first Homecoming Queen in 1952, and graduated in 1953. On September 19, 1954 Elna Mae married the love of her life Dwight De Jong, of this union two sons were born. The couple resided in Baxter where Elna Mae worked alongside Dwight at their family business, Baxter Oil, in Baxter. She was a member of the Baxter Congregational United Church of Christ in Baxter. Elna Mae loved her boys and enjoyed spending time with their families. She also enjoyed baking, cooking, gardening, flowers, butterflies, and her various dogs throughout the years.

Those left to cherish her loving memories are her two sons, Bryan (Karen) De Jong of Baxter, Alan (Lisa) De Jong of Battle Ground, WA, four grandchildren; Taylor (Simon) Long, Zoey (Anthony) Arrienda, Gabriel De Jong, and Dylan De Jong; great-granddaughter Joanna Long; sister Joan Pfantz; sister-in-laws Macy Jane (Warren) Jontz of Newton, and Minerva Jane (Doug) Finch of Lincoln, CA; many nieces, nephews, and close friends.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the Baxter Rescue Unit.

Dwight G. De Jong, 81, passed away on Saturday June, 12 at the Baxter Care Center.

Visitation will be held from 5-7 p.m., Friday, June 18, 2010 at the Congregational United Church of Christ in Baxter. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, June 18, at 1:30 p.m. at the Church. A private family burial will immediately follow the service at the Restland Cemetery in Baxter.

Dwight was born in Baxter on April 28, 1929 to Ada (Crawford) and Louis De Jong. He attended and graduated from Baxter High School in 1946. On September 19, 1954 Dwight married the love of his life Elna Mae (Damman), of this union two sons were born.

Dwight was a very active Baxter businessman and an essential part of the community. He was a member of the Congregational United Church of Christ where he has served as SS Superintendent and Trustee, has served on the Baxter City Council, served as the President of Coloniel Manor and also operated the nursing home from time to time until it was purchased by Glen and Beverly Van Zante, a Bank Board Member, served on the Zoning Board of Adjustment, Planning and Zoning Board, Pool Committee of the Baxter Recreation Park, Director of the State Savings Bank of Baxter for over 25 years, a member of the American Legion Post #493 Baxter, Baxter Rescue Unit, and Baxter Lions Club.

Dwight had a great love for his family, collecting clocks and repairing them, trains, BMW motorcycles, and fishing. He always looked forward to the families annual spring fishing trip in Minnesota. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

He is survived by his wife Elna Mae; two sons, Bryan (Karen) De Jong of Baxter, Alan (Lisa) De Jong of Battle Ground, WA, four grandchildren; Taylor (Simon) Long, Zoey De Jong, Gabriel De Jong, and Dylan De Jong, two sisters; Macy Jane Jontz of Newton, and Minerva Jane Finch of Lincoln, CA.

Dwight was proceeded in death by his parents, and brother Darrel. The De Jong family request that memorial contributions may be directed to the Congregational United Church of Christ.



10-2-99 50th Anniversary

Don was born on February 6, 1927 in State Center, Iowa. He was the son of Albert and Elvira (Smith) Pfantz. Don was raised in the State Center area and graduated from State Center High School. He also attended college for two years. Don was a member of the United States Army and honorably served our country during World War II from 1945-1946. He was united in marriage to Joan Margaret Damman on October 2, 1949 and they were the first couple to be married at the Trinity Lutheran Church. Following their marriage, they made their home, farmed and raised their family in the Melbourne area. Don was a member of the Harlan C. Pfantz American Legion Post #122 in State Center, a member of the board of First State Bank in Conrad as well as a Director of Marshall Mutual Insurance Association. Don enjoyed ballroom dancing, watching all of the sporting events of his grandkids and was loved by many for his great sense of humor. He could make friends with anyone he met and his smiling face and personality warmed the hearts of many.

Left to cherish his memory is his wife of 63 years, Joan Pfantz; his children: Doug (Penny) Pfantz of Melbourne, Joel (Cristi) Pfantz of Melbourne and Jody (Terry) White of Plano, Texas; his grandchildren: Zachary (Stacy) Pfantz, Brant (Michelle) Pfantz, Nick Pfantz, Melissa (Alex) Blood, Josh Pfantz, Amber Pfantz, Chase White, Riley White; his great-grandchildren: Tate Pfantz, Tessa Pfantz, Noah Pfantz and Ashtyn Blood; two sisters, Gerry Kuhl of Marshalltown and Joleen Terrell of Waterloo and also several nieces and nephews.

Don was preceded in death by his parents and his three brothers: Glen Pfantz, Marvin Pfantz and Merland Pfantz.

Pallbearers

Zach Pfantz
Josh Pfantz

Brant Pfantz
Alex Blood

Nick Pfantz
Chase White

Honorary Pallbearers

Harold Bales
Eugene Goodman
Terry White

Alan DeJong
Denny Pfantz

Bryan DeJong
Garry Pfantz
Eugene Damman