



Eula Marie (Holtze) Brown, age 89, of Beaver City, Nebraska passed away on Thursday, July 06, 2017 at the Beaver City Manor, Beaver City, Nebraska. She was born on the family farm on December 31, 1927, the youngest of three children born to Jens 'Jim' Rasmussen and Pearl Geneva (Parks) Holtze.

Eula attended grade school at Middle Rockton and graduated from Wilsonville High School in 1945. Her first job was teaching at that same Middle Rockton School. In grade school Eula loved playing cowboys and Indians and was an avid fan of The Lone Ranger movies! It was there she found her life time friend & partner. On May 23, 1948, she and Darrel Lee Brown were united in marriage, and were the first to be married in the Christian Church in Wilsonville. They made their first home on Darrel's family farm where they raised their five children. In 1965 the family moved to town so the kids could attend Beaver City Schools.

Eula was a member in the Beaver City Women's Club; UMW; church choir; was a Sunday School teacher; was a Brownie Troop Leader; and the first Beaver City Grade School Playground Supervisor. By the 80's she helped start the Beaver City Thrift Store where sales helped fund projects for churches and the community. Eula enjoyed having a beautiful yard of roses but loved most being with family and hearing the kids sing.

As her children left for college Eula found her true calling – Genealogy! She was a problem solver – long before computers, search engines and blood tests! Eula hand searched County Court House records to connect family lines, making logs of her findings. As she researched her own family roots she developed a library full of notebooks on other family surnames within Furnas County. She was a founding member in starting the Furnas County Genealogical Society and created a Genealogy section to the Beaver City Library. She was instrumental in publishing the book "Past & Present" a history of Furnas County. People contacted her from all over the country to help with their family research. She was a Charter Member of the Nebraska State Genealogical Society and gave presentations around the state on how to research. It is amazing how many family ancestral charts she pulled together! Her wish was always to find in her own heritage a strain of Indian blood, but never did! Eula departed this life after years of living with the effects of Parkinson's disease, but she leaves behind a legacy of love and devotion to her family and friends.

Those left to cherish her memories are her 5 children - David and Nancy (Frey) Brown of Beaver City, NE; Randall and Mary (Thomsen) Brown of Beaver City, NE; Brenda (Brown) and Larry Lambert of Grand Island, NE; Robert and Connie (Tegtmeier) Brown of Omaha, NE; and Rebecca Brown of Omaha, NE. Grandchildren – Dan & Marla Brown of Kearney,

NE; Andy & Denise Brown of Beaver City, NE; Mike & Abby Brown of Nevada, MO; Joe & Brooke Lambert of Omaha, NE; Julie Brown of Grand Island, NE; Adam & April Lambert of Cody, NE; Elizabeth and Chris Brown of Omaha, NE; plus 14 great-grandchildren.

She is welcomed into heaven by her parents; husband, Darrel Brown; brother, James Holtze, and wife Velma (Nicholson) of Wilsonville, NE; her sister Margaret and husband, F. Dean Brown of Wilsonville, NE; brother-in-law, C. Roland Brown, and wife LaVonne (Query) of Mapleton, IA; nephews, Tommy Brown and Rodger Holtze; and niece, Margene Holtze.

Viewing and visitation will be Sunday, July 9, 2017 from 4 PM till 8 PM at Wenburg Funeral Home of Beaver City. Funeral services to be held at Faith Community Church, Beaver City, Nebraska, on Monday, July 10, 2017 at 10 AM with Pastor Daryl Kats, officiating. Interment will be at Mount Hope Cemetery, Beaver City, Nebraska with luncheon to follow at the church. Charitable donations in Eula's honor may be directed to the Furnas County Genealogical Society and the Beaver City Manor. Wenburg Funeral Home of Beaver City, Nebraska is in charge of the arrangements.