

*In  
Loving Memory*



**Mabel M. Browning**

<i>Born</i>	<i>Entered Into Rest</i>
May 4, 1918	October 3, 2006
Memphis, Nebraska	Shenandoah, Iowa

*Age*  
88 Years, 4 Months, 29 Days

*Life Celebration*  
11:00 A.M.  
Friday, October 6, 2006  
Selby Funeral Chapel  
Shenandoah, Iowa

*Words of Comfort*  
Reverend Allan Bash  
Congregational Church

*Memory Register*

Evelyn Maher - Jeanne Randolph - Evalyn Saner

*Caring for Flowers*

Darlene Feller - Sue Johnson

*Musical Selections*

Amazing Grace

(Special recorded music by Susie Schaaf)

*Ushers*

Marvin Feller - Larry Randolph

*Casket Bearers*

Ryan Selby - Scott Selby

Harold Kolb - Dean Swanson - Gary Timm

Final Resting Place

Rose Hill Cemetery

Shenandoah, Iowa



*The Twenty-Third Psalm*

*The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.  
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:  
He leadeth me beside the still waters.  
He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the paths  
of righteousness for His name's sake.  
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the  
shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for Thou art  
with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.  
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence  
of mine enemies: Thou anointest my head with oil:  
my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy  
shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will  
dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

## Mabel M. Browning

Mabel Mae Browning, age 88, one of nine children born to Christian F. and Bertha (Mumm) Kolb was born May 4, 1918, near Memphis, Nebraska, and passed away October 3, 2006, in Shenandoah, Iowa.

Growing up on farms in the Memphis, Ashland and Greenwood, Nebraska areas Mabel received her education in area schools including country schools. As a young person she ventured to Oakland, California, where she was united in marriage to Norman Selby. To this union two sons, Steven and William, were born. Later Mabel returned to the Midwest with her two sons, living in Omaha, Nebraska, where she owned an apartment house and worked at the Blackstone Hotel Restaurant. She often recalled memories of waiting on movie stars while working there.

Mabel worked hard over the years providing a home for her sons. She purchased a farm between Farragut and Shenandoah and worked at various places in Shenandoah: Sterns Studio, Elks Club, Western Auto, running a detasseling crew for DeKalb Seed Corn Company and for many years worked in the catalog mail department of Henry Fields Seed and Nursery Company. In 1959, a wonderful event happened to Mabel. She was united in marriage to Ray Browning. They enjoyed their many years together traveling, fishing and gardening. She was known for her great cooking, sense of humor and the telling of "colorful" jokes. Mabel loved to dance and when she wasn't feeling well she would often say, "I just need to get out of here and go dancing."

She was a member of the Congregational Church and the American Legion Auxiliary. She started the Henry Field Seed Company Former Employee get-together, meeting for the first time in her home. They met once a month to continue their friendships.

Preceding Mabel in death were her parents; husband, Ray Browning in 1980; sisters, Caroline Kolb, Clara Kolb and Frances Timm; brothers, Oren Kolb, Edgar Kolb, Elmer Kolb; and a daughter-in-law, Sandra Selby.

Survivors include her sons and daughter-in-law, Steve Selby of Shenandoah and Bill and Brenda Selby of Shenandoah; four grandchildren, Mashelle Medina and husband, Alex, of Gilbert, Arizona, Scott Selby and wife, Tracy, of Adel, Iowa, Ryan Selby and wife, Jamie of Plattsmouth, Nebraska, and Tasha Selby of Red Oak, Iowa; eight great grandchildren, Breana Marco, Dyllan Hansen, Kaden Hansen, Alexa Medina, Tasia Selby, Dominic Hansen, Trevyr Selby, and Sandra Selby. Also surviving is a brother, Delmer Kolb of Ashland, Nebraska; sister, Margie Swanson of Ceresco, Nebraska; and sister-in-law, Gladys Kolb of Wahoo, Nebraska; several nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

