



## Evalyn M. Sorahan

May 17, 1920 - January 19, 2017

Evalyn M. Sorahan, 96, of Grand Island passed away with her family by her side on Thursday, Jan. 19, 2017.

Evalyn, who was affectionately known as “Babe” by all who knew and loved her, was born on May 17, 1920 to Richard and Freda (Peterson) Erdbruger of Grand Island, Nebraska. Along with her two brothers and sister, she grew up on a small acreage near Grand Island and often shared fond memories of her childhood.

She attended Stolley Park School and graduated from Grand Island Senior High in 1937. On November 1, 1939, Evalyn married Samuel J. Sorahan, who died in service to our country at Iwo Jima on February, 20, 1945. Evalyn then worked part-time and raised their son, Samuel, on her own until she was united in marriage to Michael A. Sorahan on September 17, 1946. In 1947, they built their current family home on Park Drive and were blessed with four more children.

Evalyn was a true “homemaker” who created a warm, loving welcome for all. She loved to cook and bake and took great pleasure in spoiling her friends and family with treats. Her chocolate chip and sugar cookies were especially loved by her family and were often the source of family battles about ownership. Later in life, she shared her exceptional culinary skills with many

students as a cook at Barr Junior High. Evalyn also loved spending time in her yard and garden, which flourished from her attentions.

Family was very important to Evalyn. Her children and grandchildren knew she was always there, ready to listen and help in what ever way she could. Some of Evalyn's happiest moments were when she was preparing and hosting family get-togethers for her children and grandchildren. Family will always remember Evalyn's gentle strength, with seldom a critical word for others.

Those left to rejoice in her memory include: Samuel and Deanne Sorahan of Littleton, Colorado; Steve and Debra Sorahan of Lincoln, Nebraska; Susan and Steve Morris of Lincoln, Nebraska; Charles "Chuck" and Susanne Sorahan of Alda, Nebraska and Stacie Sorahan-Stutzman of Grand Island, eleven grandchildren, eleven great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Evalyn was preceded in death by her parents, Richard and Freda Erdbruger; husbands, Samuel and Michael Sorahan; brothers, Richard and Rod Erdbruger; sister, June Sprague; and grandson, Jason Morris, and great-grandson Michael Poloncic.

To honor Evalyn's wishes, a private graveside service for family and friends will be held. Arrangements are being made by All Faiths Funeral Home.

Memorials are suggested to St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Evalyn M. Sorahan*

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“ *With sympathy, Denver Friday Lunch Bunch purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Evalyn M. Sorahan.*



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“ *BABE as she was known to the Stolley Park gang a long time ago, was a sweetheart and all the kids knew it!!!! When we would get sent out early in the morning to go play and we knew not to bother my mother FRANNY as she had work to do .... about mid morning we were getting hungry so we would go over to BABE'S and tell her my mom needed to borrow 2 or 3 oranges to make Johnny juice and she always gave them to us and she never questioned us why we never repaid her either. We would run back over to our ditch and eat them and they were really good... GOD BLESS HER ❤️❤️ She was a WONDERFUL LADY❤️❤️❤️❤️. We will miss her . Sandie Mehring, John Mehring, and DANA Mehring White. 308-379-4324*

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