



# Ellen T. Bammel

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## **Ellen T. Bammel**

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**E**llen Theresia Bammel, 97, passed away on Sunday, January 22, 2012 at Syverson Lutheran Home in Eau Claire. She was born on March 25, 1914 to Martin and Hilda Peterson in Waupaca, Wisconsin. She married Paul F. Bammel on October 14, 1939 and they shared 58 years of marriage before his passing in 1997. Ellen and Paul were very proud to be Waupaca residents where they were co-owners of the Bammel Funeral Home and Bammel Furniture Store for many years. She worked as a receptionist in a medical office and later was employed by the Waupaca Foundry. Ellen lived in Waupaca for almost 97 years before moving to Eau Claire to be near family in 2011. She was a devoted mother who opened her home to her children's friends and enjoyed hearing from those friends throughout the years. Ellen was a life-long member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Waupaca where she was very active in the Women of the Church Group and what was formerly known as Couples Club. She was very involved with the local Eastern Star Chapter where she was a past Worthy Matron. Ellen and Paul were also part of a Saturday Night Dance Club. Ellen was an excellent bridge player and participated in various bridge groups in Waupaca. In their retirement, Paul and Ellen enjoyed several winters in Rockport, Texas, where they met a new community of snowbird friends whose companionship was treasured by them. Additionally, they especially liked to travel, and trips to the Scandinavian countries and Europe were highlights. Ellen is survived by her daughter, Patricia (James) Watkins of Erie, Colorado and by her son, Paul M. (Cindy) Bammel of Eau Claire, Wisconsin. She is also survived by her four grandchildren, Katherine (Chris) Visser, Margaret Watkins, Alex Bammel, and Gregory Bammel, nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Paul F. Bammel, her sister, Myrtle (Lester) Larson and her in-laws. A service celebrating Ellen's life will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 206 E. Badger Street, Waupaca, Wisconsin on Thursday, January 26 at 11 AM with Reverend Jennifer DeNetz,



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officiating. A visitation will be held at the church one hour prior to the service. The family requests that memorials be directed to Trinity Lutheran Church, Waupaca, or Mayo Clinic Health System - Eau Claire. Ellen's family extends heartfelt gratitude for the loving care she received at HeatherWood Assisted Living in Eau Claire, Syverson Lutheran Home, Mayo Clinic Health System - Eau Claire, St. Joseph's Hospice Care, and Park Vista Assisted Living in Waupaca. Special thanks to Pauline Roggow, Nancy Oestrich and Dennis and Laurie Lear of Waupaca for assisting Ellen before her move to Eau Claire. Ellen was in capable and caring hands during her final days and we know she was grateful to her caregivers. Our thanks to everyone who contributed to her care, comfort, and conversation. Holly Funeral Home in Waupaca is assisting the family with arrangements.



## Tribute Wall

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**Charlene And Fred Kuenzi** posted:

Our sympathy goes out to your family. We always enjoyed visiting with Ellen at church and she was a good friend to my mom! They're at peace now and probably have a Bridge game going in Heaven.

March 4 at 7:00 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

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