

# *The Heart of the Matter...*

## *...Our Residents*



*June Easterday  
Resident of the Month*

June Ethel Easterday was born June 3, 1934 in rural Frontier County to Clifford and Helen (Heater) Stombaugh. She had three sisters Lila Wahley and Verna Ercoli both deceased and Opal Easterday of Nyssa, Oregon; and four brothers: Earl of Rapid City, SD, Clyde of Cozad, Glen deceased and Jay of Lexington.

June attended country school in Frontier County to 8<sup>th</sup> grade. June went to Idaho to help her sister's family after the birth of a baby. While there she met her brother-in-law's brother, Donald Easterday, a widower with two children. Donald and June were married April 4, 1953. June became mother to Gene, deceased and Carolyn Houser. To their marriage four children were born: Vernon of Eustis, John of San Francisco, CA, Rodney of Eustis and Marjorie Hueftle of Bartley.

In 1958 Donald and June moved to Nebraska to a farm south of Eustis. The family grew and all worked the family farm. In December 1975, Donald and June moved to their new home in Eustis to make more room for the boys. In later years Donald built Easterday Restorations and they down sized to an apartment there. Having raised her family June began working for Central Plains Home Health out of Cozad working there for 17 years while taking college classes to fulfilling her dream of becoming a nurse.

The Easterdays traveled to many countries in Europe and Hawaii with a farm tour group. They belonged to the Golden Rod Antique Auto Club and took many trips with the group in their Model A. Donald passed away August 28, 1996. One of June's pastimes was embroidery work, she was noted for her tiny stitches.

June volunteered at the Eustis Senior Center for years and was a long time member of the West Canyonettes Extension Club and Christian Womens Club. She is a member of Community of Christ Church in North Platte. She has served on many boards of the church over the years.

June has 17 grandchildren and 25 great grandchildren. June became part of Elwood Care Center family on October 15, 2014.



### *Elwood Care Center Board of Directors*

*Chairman, Betty Koenig  
Nina Anderson  
Dick Bennett  
Bill Monter  
Dan Stoll*

## Jesus Little Lamb Preschool Graduation



Pat Schutz with great granddaughter, RiLee Schutz



Georgia Williams with grandson, Robert Remmenga



Four Generations—  
Shirley Schwarz,  
Jamie Wendland,  
Kris Wendland, and  
J.J. Vann



Amanda Klein with  
her son, Kaiden



The residents and staff want to thank Sharon Oelkers for all her time and effort in landscaping for us! Especially the rose bushes! Thank you Sharon!

### Residents Birthdays

June Easterday—3<sup>rd</sup>  
Irene Weissert—19<sup>th</sup>

### Staff Birthdays

Susie Ocken—5<sup>th</sup>  
Rita Darnall—5<sup>th</sup>  
Jessica Martinez—5<sup>th</sup>  
Sheila Mугan—7<sup>th</sup>  
Lorie Campbell—10<sup>th</sup>  
Beth Willson—13<sup>th</sup>  
Gina Spellman—17<sup>th</sup>  
Stacey Cooper—24<sup>th</sup>  
Shannen Jesseph—30<sup>th</sup>

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**“Music’s the medicine of the mind.” –John A. Logan**

We would like to say “Thank you” to Jo D. Blessing for donating her family piano to the Elwood Assisted Living. What a wonderful gift. Thank you so very much!

Volunteers are welcome to come play a tune or two for us anytime, call 785-3302.



*Carolyn and Rita would like thank everyone who helped make the Mother’s Day Tea a success. The ladies all looked very nice.*

*In Loving Memory*



We would like to express our sympathy to the families of Esther Grabenstein and Lillian Sayer. A memorial service was held in their honor.

- Administrator.....Kate Reiners
- Director of Nursing.....Lacie Evans
- Activities Director.....Carolyn Houser
- Dietary.....Janice Gengenbach
- Maintenance Supervisor.....Carl Benson
- Laundry Supervisor.....Coleen Schutz
- Housekeeping Supervisor.....Starla Schutz
- Medical Records.....Kristina Cates
- MDS Coordinator.....Susie Ocken
- Office Manager.....Irene Kenning

Staff Years of Service

**1 year**  
Peter Ricciotti  
Sandy Alva

**2 year**  
Beckie Fagot