

# Blooming Memories

## How Edencrest and Bellflower Florist Brought Judi's Dream to Life

At Edencrest, we believe that passions never fade—they grow and flourish, just like the vibrant flowers Judi spent her life arranging. Through our **Eden Endeavors** program,

we go beyond daily care to bring joy, purpose, and meaningful experiences to our residents. Recently, we had the privilege of recreating a special moment for Judi, a lifelong florist whose love for flowers shaped her career and family memories.

With the help of **Bellflower Florist & Gifts**, a locally owned and beloved flower shop in Norwalk, we turned an ordinary day into an extraordinary celebration—one filled with laughter, nostalgia, and, of course, beautiful blooms.



### *A Lifetime of Flowers and Friendship*

Judi's love for flowers began decades ago when she started working at Every Blooming Thing in Beresford, South Dakota. The shop wasn't just a workplace; it was a place of friendship, creativity, and community. For three years, she worked alongside her dear friend, bringing joy to customers through their floral artistry.

Later, when Judi and her family moved to Fort Dodge, Iowa, she continued her journey as the manager of Flowerama, sharing her expertise with customers looking for the perfect bouquet. But the most special chapter of her floral career was yet to come—helping her daughter Teresa run her own flower shop, "The Flower Shop" in Manson, Iowa. Judi's passion extended beyond a job; it was a legacy she passed down to her daughter, traveling all the way from Yankton, South Dakota, to Manson to help during the busiest floral seasons.

### *Recreating a Special Memory at Edencrest*

At Edencrest, we understand that meaningful moments don't just live in the past—they can be relived and cherished again. That's why our Eden Endeavors program exists—to bring personalized, heartwarming experiences to life for our residents. When our team learned about Judi's lifelong connection to flowers, we knew we had to do something special.

That's where Bellflower Florist & Gifts came in. This locally owned and community-loved florist in Norwalk stepped in with open arms, donating their time and expertise to help recreate Judi's floral dream. From fresh flowers to hands-on arranging, they made sure every detail reflected the love and passion Judi had for her craft.

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## A Day of Joy, Flowers, and a Favorite Meal

The excitement in the air was contagious as Judi was greeted with a surprise floral arrangement session. She lit up with joy as she saw the familiar tools of the trade—vases, ribbons, and gorgeous blooms from Bellflower from Bellflower Florist & Gifts.

Judi's hands instinctively went to work, selecting flowers with the same grace and precision she had used for years. As she created her masterpiece, she kept saying "WOW"—a simple but powerful expression of her excitement and gratitude.


To make the day even more special, our Edencrest kitchen team prepared Judi's favorite meal—mac & cheese. As she sat with her daughters, enjoying the warm and comforting dish, there was a sense of togetherness and celebration. It was more than a meal—it was a reminder that small joys make life beautiful.




### *A Shoutout to Bellflower Florist & Gifts*

We cannot thank Bellflower Florist & Gifts enough for making this day possible. Their kindness, generosity, and commitment to spreading happiness through flowers made all the difference.

Bellflower Florist & Gifts is more than just a flower shop—they are a community partner that brings joy to countless lives. Whether it's a special occasion, a heartfelt gift, or a surprise bouquet, their team puts love and care into every arrangement.

 **Located in Norwalk, Iowa**

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If you're ever in need of beautiful blooms and a florist that truly cares, Bellflower Florist & Gifts is the place to go!

### *Why Personalization Matters in Senior Living*

At Edencrest, we believe that senior living is more than just care—it's about creating vibrant experiences. The Eden Endeavors program ensures that every resident gets to relive treasured memories, explore passions, and feel the warmth of community support. This story is a testament to what personalized senior care can look like bringing a smile, rekindling a passion, and making every day special.

If you or a loved one are looking for a senior living community that values your story, passions, and dreams, Edencrest is here for you.

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