



Dorathea Kruse

March 18, 1910 - October 24, 2011

Dorathea Kruse, age 101, of Storm Lake, Iowa died October 24, 2011 at Methodist Manor Retirement Community in Storm Lake. Dorathea was born March 18, 1910 at her home in Grant Township in rural Storm Lake the daughter of Fred H. and Ida (Hartje) Buchholz. On April 3, 1910, Dora was baptized at the Zion Lutheran Church in rural Storm Lake where she was later confirmed on April 13, 1924. On June 6, 1929, Dora was united in marriage to August Kruse at Grant Township. Together, they were blessed with four children: Donald, Darlene, Wayne, and Corwin. Dora enjoyed quilting and crocheting, especially The Lord's Prayer. She crocheted around 620 last names for people. Dora loved playing cards. She treasured her family and will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her. Those left to cherish her memory include her children: Donald (Carol) Kruse of Rembrandt, Iowa; Darlene Kruse of Storm Lake, Iowa; Wayne (Marian) Kruse of Storm Lake, Iowa; Corwin (Janice) Kruse of Albert City, Iowa; grandchildren: Retha (Jerry) Wirth of Spencer, Iowa; Renee (Tom) Phillips of Laurens, Iowa; Russell (Sandy) Kruse of Alta, Iowa; Randal (Julie) Kruse of Storm Lake, Iowa; Ramon Kruse of Storm Lake, Iowa; Rhonda (Dick) Archer of Bricelyn, Minnesota; Becky (Jeff) Kindwall of Belmond, Iowa; Kevin Kruse and friend Heather of Storm Lake, Iowa; Jason (Amy) Kruse of Albert City, Iowa; great-grandchildren: Jayme (Mandie) Richter; Kari Richter; DeaDra (Mark) Jeter; Carl (Melissa) Brent; Vanessa Brent; Ameer (Jeff) Lundberg; Monica (Dustin) Munro; Katie (Brandon) Berkland; Robyn (Pat) Diekman; Mandi Kruse;

Tiffanie (Chad) Wenell; Trista Kruse; Ryan (Jessica) Kruse; Jessica (Kyle) Greene; Megan (Matt) Spreacker; Allison Kruse; Shawn (Michelle) Archer; Shannon (Corrie) Archer; Shaina (Jerry) Weis; Derek Kindwall; Riley Kindwall; Keegan Kruse; Alyssa Kruse; Toby Kruse; and Titus Kruse; great great-grandchildren: Dakota; Kailee; Aubrea; Dylan; Peyton; Gavin; Austin; Owen; Madison; Abbigal; Morgan; Kennady; Hayden; Sydney; Brennan; Brody; Landen; Hunter; Kadin; Adyson; Isabella; Braylen; Hailey; Samantha; Ryder; Devan; and Carter; sisters: Alma Boettcher of Storm Lake, Iowa; Leona Boettcher of Storm Lake, Iowa; Lea Gaes of Storm Lake, Iowa; extended family and friends. Dora was preceded in death by her parents, Fred and Ida Buchholz; husband, August Kruse; sister, Paula Madison; brothers: Arthur, Raymond, and Walter Buchholz; granddaughter-in-law, Teresa Kruse; two great great grandchildren: Hannah and Aiden.