



Loreen May Carpenter

November 1, 1919 - December 30, 2011

Loreen M. Carpenter, age 92, of Storm Lake, Iowa died December 30, 2011 at Methodist Manor Retirement Community in Storm Lake. Loreen May Rice was born November 1, 1919 in Storm Lake, Iowa the daughter of Raymond and Vida (Thompson) Rice. In 1920, she was baptized at the Methodist Church. Growing up, Loreen attended grade school and graduated from Wilson High School in Cherokee, Iowa. Following high school graduation, she received her teaching certificate from Iowa State Teacher's College. On June 1, 1940, Loreen was united in marriage to Garlan Carpenter at the Methodist Parsonage in Cherokee, Iowa. Together, they were blessed with four children: Karen, Gayle, George, and Audrey. Loreen was a member of the ARC in Buena Vista County and the Community Chest Board. She was also a member of the United Methodist Church in Storm Lake. Loreen was instrumental in starting the Red Barn which is now Genesis Development. Loreen enjoyed traveling to numerous places in the United States with her husband, Garlan in their 5th wheel camper. She loved teaching Bible School and Sunday School. In her spare time, she treasured quilting. Loreen loved her family and enjoyed spending time with them. She will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her. Those left to cherish her memory include her children: Karen (Edward) Verdelotti of Vinton, Virginia; Gayle (Paul) Kennedy of Parker, Colorado; Audrey (Charles) Olson of London, Arkansas; grandchildren: Christine Verdelotti; Michael Kennedy; Robert (Alli) Kennedy; Laura (Joe) Webb; Jonathan Olson; great grandchildren: Henry and Owen

Kennedy; Landon Staub; Mia, Aubree, and Karter Webb; brothers: Glen Rice of Ostrander, Minnesota; Virgil (Betty) Rice of Sioux City, Iowa; sisters: Ellen Rice of Cherokee, Iowa; Veda Rice of Fairfield, California; extended family and friends. Loreen was preceded in death by her husband, Garlan Carpenter; parents, Raymond and Vida Rice; son, George Carpenter; brother, Evron Rice; and sister, Doris Campbell.