



Ruby M. Steig

February 1, 1923 - August 1, 2012

Ruby M. Steig, age 89, of Storm Lake, Iowa died August 1, 2012 at Sunset Knoll Care and Rehab Center in Aurelia, Iowa. Ruby Marian Grieme was born on February 1, 1923 in Storm Lake to Henry and Mary (Harjes) Grieme. She graduated from Storm Lake High School in 1940. After graduation, she was employed as a cashier at the Ortale & Swanson Grocery Stores. In 1944, she went to work as a clerk in the B.V. County Treasurer's office. On September 23, 1945, Ruby married DeWitt Steig. The couple was blessed with one daughter, Wendie. In 1948, she was appointed County Treasurer, to fill the vacancy of the former treasurer, who resigned. She was then elected treasurer in the following election. When her daughter was born, Ruby left to become a stay-at-home mom. Several years later, she went back to help part-time at three of the courthouse offices. In 1981, DeWitt and Ruby started Gift World in downtown Storm Lake. They ran it until their retirement in 1999, when their daughter, Wendie, took over the business. Ruby was a faithful member of Grace Lutheran Church. She spent many happy times with her family and especially enjoyed watching her little great grandchildren grow up. She was devoted to them all. Left to cherish her memory are her husband, DeWitt of Storm Lake; one daughter, Wendie Whitney and her husband, Bill of Aurelia, Iowa; three grandchildren: Adam Whitney and wife, Jessica, of Des Moines, Iowa; Megan Zimmerman and husband, Eric, of Ida Grove, Iowa; Heather Siepker and husband, Nick, of Sioux City, Iowa; six great grandchildren: Connor Whitney, Aubree and Hayden Zimmerman, Tanner and

Hailey Siepker, Jacob Zimmerman; one sister-in-law, Frances Steig of Webster City, Iowa; one brother-in-law, Walt Steig and wife, Betty, of Sioux City; nieces and nephews; extended family and friends. Preceding Ruby in death are her parents; infant grandson, Jeramy Whitney; five sisters; and four brothers-in-law.