Mary E. Wauters, 91

Mary Elizabeth Wauters, 91, of Victor, died Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2002, at Brooklyn Community Estates.

A funeral was Friday, Nov. 8, at St. Bridget Catholic Church, Victor, with the Rev. Richard Okumu officiating. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery, Victor. Pallbearers were Robert DeMeyer, Jack DeMeyer, Gary DeMeyer, Terry DeMeyer, Mike Wauters and Mike Ver Deck. Honorary bearers were Mike and Ann DeRycke, Jerry Wauters, Jerry and Patty Henning, Chuck and Kathy Van Thournout, John and Grace DeRycke and Dan and Alice DeRycke. Smith Funeral Home, Victor, handled arrangements.

Mrs. Wauters was born May 12, 1911, northeast of Hartwick in Poweshiek County, the daughter of Alfons and Maria (Janssen) DeMeyer. She grew up in the Hartwick area and attended rural school near her home, then later attended school in Hartwick and St. John's Catholic School, Victor.

She helped her parents on the farm and did housework for people in the Victor area.

On Feb. 10, 1931, she married Clement "Tom" Wauters at St. Bridget Catholic Church. The couple farmed in the Hartwick area. She was a life-long member of St. Bridget and its Altar and Rosary Society.

She enjoyed farm life and performing farm chores. She was an avid reader and liked cooking.

Surviving are a son, Marvin Wauters of Hartwick; five sisters-in-law, Marie DeMeyer, Dorothy Walton, Madalene Wauters, Alice Wauters and Kathleen Kester; cousins, nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1986; a son, James, in 1962; her parents; three brothers, Fred and Leonard DeMeyer; and a sister, Martha Williams.