

Voda Arens, 84

Voda Mae Arens, age 84 of Hartwick, died Saturday, Feb. 20, 2010, at Brooklyn Community Estates, Brooklyn. Funeral services were held at 11 a.m., Tuesday, Feb. 23, 2010, at Grace United Methodist Church, Brooklyn, with the Rev. John Dodds officiating. Burial was in Oak Hill Cemetery, Tama. A memorial fund has been established.



Voda is survived by two sons, Nathan Arens (Diane) of Hartwick and Wayne Arens (Virginia) of Brooklyn; nine grandchildren, Nicholas Arens (Amy) of Hartwick, Scott Arens of Cedar Rapids, David Arens (Breanna) of Marshalltown, Kevin Arens of Indianola, Amy Arens of Hartwick, Mike Arens of Hartwick, Jason Arens of Brooklyn, Wes Arens of Hartwick and Crystal Arens of Brooklyn; and three great-grandchildren, Chryton Arens, Graydon Arens of Hartwick and Kailynn Arens of Marshalltown. Also surviving is a brother Mark Croskrey (Katherine) of Tama. She was preceded in death by her parents, and her husband in 2000.

Voda Mae Croskrey was born Aug. 30, 1925, in rural Tama County, the daughter of Harrison M. and Florence Keup Croskrey. She graduated from Tama High School in 1943, and married Julian A. Arens on Feb. 25, 1950, at St. Patrick's Rectory in Brooklyn. The couple farmed in Poweshiek County for many years.

Voda enjoyed crocheting, gardening, fishing, mowing the lawn, and playing Pepper and bingo. She also enjoyed rolle bolle and traveling out west. Voda especially enjoyed driving the tractor on the farm. She was a member of the CWW (Community Welfare Workers) for many years.

Online condolences may be extended to the family at www.klosterfuneralhome.com.

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