Mary Stewart 90, of Oskaloosa, formerly of New Sharon, died Monday, June 27, 2011, at the Oskaloosa Care Center. Funeral services were held Friday, July 1, 2011, at the Harden Funeral Home in New Sharon. The Harden Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mary Elizabeth Stewart was born January 4, 1921, near Lynnville, Iowa, the daughter of Gerrit and Gertie Slycord Beyer. She attended country school near Lynnville and on June 4, 1940, she was united in marriage to William Stewart in Sully. Over the years, Mary raised and showed registered quarter horses, as well as a twenty-year career with Maytag. She was a member of the New Harvest Community Church where she enjoyed meeting with the Bible Study group. Mary also enjoyed attending harness races in Wart Cheer and coffee time with her friends at Donna's Cafe. She will be remembered as an excellent cook and a woman with a tremendous work ethic.

Mary is survived by a son, Larry Stewart of Colfax, two daughters, Pheryl Stewart and Nancy (Roger) Pothoven both of New Sharon; two brothers, Charly Beyer and Carrol (Mary Lou) Beyer both of Sully; a sister, Arlen (Lloyd) Brand of Sully; six grandchildren, nine great grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents, husband Bill, and a sister Dorothy Van Zee.