Irene Slaymaker, 80

Irene A. Slaymaker, age 80, of Guernsey, died on Tuesday, Jan. 24, 2012 at Grinnell Regional Medical Center. A celebration of her life was held Saturday, Jan. 28, at the Smith Funeral Home in Victor with the Rev. Doug Duenbaugh, pastor of the Guernsey United Methodist Church, officiating. Interment was in Ohio Cemetery south of Ladora.
Memorials may be designated to the Guernsey United Methodist Church. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family at www.smithfh.com.

Irene was born the daughter of Menzo and Agnes Pawlak Davis on March 3, 1931 near Millersburg. She was raised on the family farm near Millersburg and attended country school near her home. She assisted her parents on the family farm following her education.

She was united in marriage to Johnny E. Slaymaker on Dec. 9, 1967 at St. James Lutheran Church in Victor. The couple resided in Guernsey where they have lived all of their married lives together.

Irene was a member of St. James Lutheran Church in Victor, the Guernsey United Methodist Church, and the Friendly Neighborhood Club in Guernsey. She was a loving and tender-hearted wife who was always very thoughtful and enjoyed sending birthday, anniversary and greeting cards to family and friends. Her husband Johnny felt very fortunate and proud to have her hand in marriage. She loved to make sure he was taken care of as she sewed and fixed many of his clothes.

Irene is survived by her husband of 44 years, Johnny Slaymaker of Guernsey. She was preceded in death by her parents and her sister, Dorothy Davis.