Mollie Brom, 91, Pella

Mollie C. Brom, 91, of Pella passed away Feb. 25, 2006. Funeral services were held Feb. 28, at the Third Reformed Church in Pella. Interment was held at Oakwood Cemetery in Pella. Memorials can be given to the Long Term Care Unit of the Pella Regional Health Center in Pella or Hospice of Pella.

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-Cornelia Mollie Bogaards was born on Jan. 21, 1915, north of Pella, in the Sandridge neighborhood. Mollie was the third child born to Abraham and Johanna Van Heukelom Bogaards. She attended the Sandridge Country Grade School north of Pella. As a young girl, Mollie lived in with and worked for the Hattie Andrews, Rachel and Raymond Kinart families in Monroe.

On Nov. 20, 1936, she was united in marriage with Franklin John Brom, the youngest child of Frank and Maggie Vander Syde Brom, in Pella. Mollie and Boomer, as he was known, lived all their married life in the Pella vicinity with the exception of eight years when they lived in Killduff. During this time, Mollie was employed at the grocery store in Killduff and at a factory in Kellogg. After moving to Pella, she did wall-papering and painting and worked at Thomassens Grocery Store.

Mollie is survived by four sisters: Rachel Uitermarkt, Alberta Mitchel, Jeanette Robus and Bernice Sneller; two sisters-in-law: Faye (William) Bogaards and Sonja (Jacob) Brom; and a brother-in-law, Carl Mitchel all of Pella; along with several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Franklin; her parents, Abraham and Johanna Bogaards; her oldest sister, Martha (Peter) Doornenbal; her only brother, William A. M. Bogaards; her five brothers-in-law: Peter Doornenbal, William Uitermarkt, Henry Naaktgeboren, Norman Robus and Jake Sneller; along with the following sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law: Bess and Ben Vos, Wilma and Herman Zwank, Carrie and Louis M. Van Haafte and Jacob M. Brom.