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Funeral services for Mrs. Gustafson were held at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, March 30, at the Grace United Methodist Church, Brooklyn. Rev. David Rogula officiated and the musician was Marilyn Kriegel. Makayla Schulte performed a violin solo. Dorothy McConnell and Diane Siemens were flower attendants. Casket-bearers were Ron Neilsen, Art Heimann, John McKusker, Lyle Oswood, Ron Stonebraker, and Stanley Walford. Interment was in the Brooklyn Memorial Cemetery.

A memorial fund has been established for Grace United Methodist Church Legacy Fund.

Nevenhoven Funeral Services were in charge of arrangements.

Grace Maxine Tucker Gustafson was born on October 7, 1916, in Mediapolis. Her parents were Fred and Fanny Smith Tucker. Grace was next to the youngest of nine children. She was the last of her siblings to pass on.

She was united in marriage with Swen Arthur Gustafson on October 3, 1931. Their only son was born on November 17, 1932. They lived in the Burlington area where they farmed from 1946 until 1968. In 1968, they moved to Brooklyn. Grace worked part-time at Manatts, Expressions and Nevenhoven Funeral Home.

Grace was active in the Methodist Church, both here in Brooklyn and West Burlington, in her earlier years. She loved to crochet and make things for her friends and family. The joy of her life was being able to be with and doing things for her son, daughter-in-law and her many grandchildren. She will be missed.

Her parents, her husband, and eight brothers and sisters preceded her in death.

She is survived by her son, Jack Gustafson, and daughter-in-law, Walda, of Brooklyn; four grandchildren, Gwen McIlhon and her husband, Tim, of Johnston, Karin Schulte and her husband, Bob, of Williamsburg, Nancy Ollinger and husband, Greg, of Brooklyn, and Thomas Gustafson and his wife, Cecelia, of Cedar Rapids; twelve great-grandchildren; and two great-great grandchildren with a third one to be born soon; two sisters-in-law, Esther Gustafson of Burlington, and Ingrid Haag of Tranas, Sweden. She is also survived by several close friends, among those Frances Paulson of Brooklyn, and Vi Van Waus of Victor.