Anna Hoksbergen, 93, Pella

Mrs. Anna C. Hoksbergen, 93, of Pella passed away May 8, 2006. Funeral services were held May 10, at the Van Dyk Duven Funeral Home in Pella. Interment was held at Oakwood Cemetery in Pella. Memorials can be given to the Anna C. Hoksbergen Memorial Fund.

Anna Clara De Jong was born on Nov. 2, 1912, in Mahaska County near Leighton. She was the youngest of 15 children born to Antonie and Gertie De Geus De Jong. Ann, as she was known, attended the Centennial Country Grade School near her home.

On Oct. 26, 1932, Ann was united in marriage with Bert Hoksbergen. To this union, a son was born: Larry Eugene. Bert passed away on Nov. 5, 1984, at the Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines, at the age of 72 years. On July 7, 2000, her son, Larry passed away unexpectedly at the age of 63 years.

Those left to cherish her memory are her two granddaughters and their husbands. They are: Laura Ann and Brian Sowles of Pella, Melinda (Mindy) Kay and Andrew Gertner of Katy, Texas; and a grandson, Evan Gertner of Katy, Texas. Of her original family she leaves one sister-in-law, Jennie (Nick) Hoksbergen of Pella.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 52 years, Bert; her son Larry Shorty Hoksbergen and his wife, Mickey (Helen Downing) and her children, John Downing and Kelly Schakel. She was also preceded in death by her parents, Antonie and Gertie De Jong and all of her siblings: Margaret, Mrs. William A. Bogaards; Cornelius De Jong, who died in infancy; Nellie, Mrs. Bert Blom; Tena, Mrs. Lewis Ozinga; Neal De Jong; John De Jong; Joscena, Mrs. John C. den Hartog; Albertha De Jong, who died in infancy; Albert De Jong; William De Jong; Grace, Mrs. Arnold Wittenburg; Tony De Jong; Gertrude, Mrs. William De Kock and her twin brother, Cornelius, who also died in infancy.