

Suzanne Block



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Suzanne Block, 85, of Hartwick, died Monday, May 28, at St. Francis Manor.

A funeral service was held Thursday, May 31, at St. James Lutheran Church in Victor with the Rev. Michael Holm officiating. Interment was in Union Cemetery near Hartwick. Memorials may be made to the Suzanne E. Block Memorial Fund in care of Smith Funeral Home of Victor, PO Box 485, Victor IA 52347.

She was born Aug. 8, 1921, the daughter of Victor and Mary Blomme Van Hamme, at her parents' home, rural Victor, where she was raised and educated in rural schools. Following her education she assisted her parents on the family farm. She was united in marriage with Vernard Gordon Block on May 23, 1965, at the Little Brown Church in Nashua. Following their marriage they lived in Hartwick where she was a homemaker.

She was a dedicated member of St. James Lutheran Church as well as a volunteer with the American Red Cross blood drive, SHARE, Victor Community Meals, Hartwick Firewomen and the American Legion Auxiliary.

She is survived by her husband of 42 years, Vernard Block of Hartwick; her children, Sally Campbell of Dallas, Texas, Larry Wiedemeier and Karen Wiedemeier of Des Moines and Marty Block of Hartwick; six grandchildren and four great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Leonard Van Hamme.

BC May 30, 2007

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A funeral service for Suzanne Block will be held at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, May 31, at St. James Lutheran Church in Victor. Burial will be at Hartwick Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Smith Funeral Home in Victor beginning at noon on Wednesday with the family present to greet friends from 5-8 p.m. on Wednesday.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the Suzanne Block Memorial Fund and sent in care of the Smith Funeral Home of Victor.

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Memorials may be directed to the Suzanne E. Block Memorial Fund and may be sent in care of the Smith Funeral Home of Victor, P.O. Box 485, Victor, Iowa 52347. Online condolences may be submitted to the family on the Smith Funeral Home website at www.smithfh.com.

Suzanne was born the daughter of Victor and Mary Blomme Van Hamme on Aug. 8, 1921, at her parent's home near Victor. She was raised near Victor and educated at rural schools near her home. Following her education she assisted her parents on the family farm.

She was united in marriage to Vernard Gordon Block on May 23, 1965, at the Little Brown Church in Nashua. Following their marriage, the couple lived in Hartwick and Suzanne was a homemaker.

Suzanne was a dedicated member of the St. James Lutheran Church in Victor, where she was actively involved in several functions of the church including St. James Ladies Aid. She exemplified her faith by spending most of her life improving the lives of others by volunteering her time to the church and numerous organizations such as the American Red Cross blood drive, the SHARE program in Hartwick, Community Meals in Victor, the Hartwick Fire Department Firewomen, and the American Legion Auxiliary. Her enjoyments included gardening, cooking, sewing, flowers, traveling, dancing, listening to polka music, and spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Suzanne is survived by her husband of 42 years, Vernard Block of Hartwick; her children, Sally (Ronald) Campbell of Dallas, Texas, Larry (Betty) Wiedemeier of Des Moines, Karen Wiedemeier of Des Moines, and Marty Block of Hartwick; six grandchildren, Paul (Allison) Wiedemeier, Jeanette (Matt) Wiedemeier Bower, Hannah Block, Hillary Block, Ethan Block, and Rabi'h Nahas'; four great-grandchildren, Arianna Bower, Connor Wiedemeier, Donovann Bower, and Adam Wiedemeier; her sister-in-law, Elaine (Norris) Bigbee of Grinnell, and sister-in-law Marjorie Van Hamme of Brooklyn.

Suzanne was preceded in death by her parents; and her brother, Leonard Van Hamme.



BC June 6, 2007