Mabel Ogal Rhinehart, 100

Mrs. Mabel O. Rhinehart, 100, of Brooklyn, died Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2007, at Brooklyn Community Estate, Brooklyn. Funeral services for Mrs. Rhinehart were held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 15, at the Nevenhoven Funeral Home, Brooklyn. Mr. Dennis Smith, Minister of the Madison Church of Christ, officiated. The musician was Marilyn Kriegel and the soloist was Joan Gerard. Special selection was "Old Rugged Cross", a favorite of Mabel's. Casket-bearers were Jerry Montgomery, Jay Pringle, Dan Rhinehart, Kevin Edwards, Randall Smith and Gary Smith. Interment was in Brooklyn Memorial Cemetery, Brooklyn. A memorial fund has been established.

Mabel Ogal White Rhinehart was born Dec. 28, 1906, at Osceola, Mo. Her parents were Charlie White and Mary Mercer White. When she was a young child, her widowed mother brought the family to Carnforth, traveling by covered wagon.

Mabel received her elementary education at Carnforth Country School, graduated from Victor High School in 1924, followed by training at Iowa State Teachers College. On Feb. 20, 1925, she married Leo Roosevelt Rhinehart in a double ceremony with her sister, Mildred, and Noel Nace in Carnforth. They were the parents of six children: Opal, Charles, James, Wallace, Marilyn, and Janet. They farmed in the Brooklyn area until 1965, when they moved into town. Leo died in 1981.

Mabel was an active, longtime member of the Church of the Brethren. She enjoyed many kinds of handwork, but quilting was her passion. Family and friends have been recipients of her countless gifts.

Her husband; two sons, Charles and James; two brothers, Wilbur and Charlie; three sisters, Eva, Eathyl, and Mildred; and a great-granddaughter, Amy, preceded her in death.

Surviving are her children and their spouses, Opal (Paul) Septer of Montezuma, Wallace (Marian) Rhinehart of Brooklyn, Marilyn (Gordon) Dickson of Port Ludlow, Wash., and Janet (Orlin) Smith of Weatherford, Okla.; a daughter-in-law, Helga Rhinehart of Brooklyn; 13 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; and eight great-great-grandchildren.