

(Maurice Albert)

Clare DeGeeter ¹³⁰ Feb. 7, 2001

Mrs. Clare DeGeeter, 82, of Brooklyn, died Sunday, Jan. 21, 2001, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center, Grinnell, Ia.

Funeral services for Mrs. DeGeeter were held at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, Jan. 25, 2001, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Brooklyn, Ia. Rev. Richard Okumu officiated.

The organist was Marilyn Kriegel and the soloist was Angie Hawkins. Songs were Entrance: "You Are Mine;" Communion: "On Eagles Wings;" Blessing of the Casket: "Song of Farewell;" and Processional: "Hail Mary, Gentle Woman."

Casket-bearers were Dana DeGeeter, Devin DeGeeter, Christopher Adair, John Woolley, Steven Woolley, and George Cleppe. Interment was in Calvary Cemetery, Brooklyn.

A Scripture Service was held at 8 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 24, 2001, at the Nevenhoven Funeral Home.

Clare E. Cleppe DeGeeter, daughter of Albert Cleppe and Mary Elizabeth Vols Cleppe, was born March 26, 1918, in Moline, Ill. Clare received her education at Hartwick, Ia., where she graduated from high school in 1936 and later from AIB in Des Moines.

On Oct. 16, 1941, she was married to Maurice Albert DeGeeter at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Brooklyn. They were the parents of two children, Norman and Carol.

Mrs. DeGeeter lived in Des Moines while Maurice was in the service. After he was discharged in 1945, they farmed near Hartwick until 1960 when they moved to Brooklyn. They owned and operated the Ben Franklin Store for two years. After that, she was a postal clerk at the Post Office until her retirement on July 1, 1975.

Mrs. DeGeeter was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church and St. Patrick's Altar and Rosary Society.

Preceding her in death were her parents, her husband who died Oct. 8, 1997, a brother Cyril Cleppe, and a sister Marguerite Woolley.

Surviving are her son and his wife, Norman and Linda DeGeeter; her daughter and husband, Carol and Kevin Adair of Marshalltown; one sister, Elsie Stanerson of Belle Plaine; and five grandchildren, Danielle, Dana, Pascale, Devin and Chris.

A memorial fund has been established.