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A funeral service will be held Friday, Sept. 19, at 1:30 p.m. at Sully Christian Reformed Church in Sully with the Rev. Jack Gray officiating. Visitation will be all day Thursday at Van Dyk-Duven Funeral Home in Pella with the family present from 6 to 8 p.m. with the family present from 6 to 8 p.m.
Interment will be in the Sully Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Sully Christian Grade School.

Among survivors are Duane Arkema, Marla Fopma and Michael Arkema. In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by a son Doyle Arkema.

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Beulah E. Arkema, 75, of Sully died Tuesday, Sept. 16, 2003, at Pella Regional Health Center.

A funeral service was held Friday, Sept. 19, in the Sully Christian Reformed Church with the Rev. Jack Gray officiating. Organ music was by Linda Laverman. Casket bearers were her grandsons, Jerry Van Donselaar, Jerry Fopma, John Walker, Eric Arkema, Bradley Fopma, Cale Fopma, Christopher Arkema and Kendall Arkema. Honorary bearers were her granddaughters and great granddaughters, Kari Walker, Kristen Van Donselaar, Rachel Arkema, Rebecca Arkema and Courtney and Trisha Van Donselaar. Burial was in the Sully Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Sully Christian Grade School.

She was born Dec. 22, 1927, near Leighton in Mahaska County to Walter John and Marie Louise Dorothea Groenendyk Newendorp. She attended school in Mahaska County then became a nurses' aide at Mercy Hospital in Oskaloosa. She was married June 27, 1950, to Dormand Allen Arkema in Ebenezer Reformed Church in Leighton. The couple farmed north of Sully, then moved into Sully when they retired from farming. She was a homemaker who enjoyed quilting. She was a member of Sully Christian Reformed Church and its Ruth Circle.

She is survived by two sons, Duane Arkema of Lynnville and Michael Arkema of Sully; one daughter, Marla Fopma of Sully; ten grandchildren and two great grandchildren, two brothers, Wilbur Newendorp of Pella and John Walter Newendorp of Leighton and two sisters, Louise Van Woerkom of Pella and Dorothy Wanders of New Sharon. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and one son Doyle.