Ross Scott Messerli, 97

Ross Scott Messerli, 97, formerly of Victor, died Sunday, October 26, 2003, at Friendship Manor in Grinnell.

A memorial service was held on Saturday, November 1, at Smith Funeral Home in Victor, with Dean Smith as officiant. <u>Inurnment was in Versailles Cemetery, Versailles, Missouri.</u>

Ross, the daughter of Willie and Nannie Noble Scott, was born on November 18, 1905, in Marvin, Missouri. She received her education from the Marvin school system until the eighth grade.

On September 23, 1922, she <u>married Oscar Messerli</u> in Kansas City, Missouri. Following their marriage, the couple lived in Kansas City and then moved to Ladora. In 1927, they moved to Hartwick where they lived most of their lives.

Ross was a member of the Hartwick Congregational Church, where she was a member of the Ladies Fellowship. She loved to play the piano and raise chickens. She also enjoyed crafts, sewing, and gardening.

Ross is survived by her son, John, and his wife, Martha, of Albuquerque, New Mexico; her daughter, Beverly Sue Amory of Virginia Beach, Virginia; six grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and several nieces.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Oscar; her daughter, Helen Beth, who died at the age of three; her sisters, Lenora Crane, Lois Smith and Betty Kidwell; and her brother, John Scott.

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