Funeral services for Jessie Ridgeway, 91, of What Cheer were Feb. 13, at the Holland-Coble Funeral Home in What Cheer. Burial was in the Highland Cemetery at What Cheer

Jessie Ann Ridgeway was born in What Cheer, April 23, 1921 the daughter of Joseph and Margaret Leonard Kelley. After high school she attended college and received her teaching certificate. Later she returned home where she taught in country school east of What Cheer for three years.

On Aug. 29, 1941 she was united in marriage to Kenneth Ridgeway in Kirksville, Mo. Around 1947 the couple began farming.

In 1963 they opened Ridgeway Hardware. Over the past 52 years Jessie committed herself to her business. In doing so, she and her family have created a reputable business and became an asset to their community.

She is preceded in death by her parents, a husband Kenneth Ridgeway; a brother, Leonard Kelley and a sister Margaret Louise Wilcox.

Jessie is survived by her two



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sons: Leonard (Pat) Ridgeway of What Cheer, Donald (Linda) Ridgeway of San Diego, Calif; her two daughters: Caroline Ridgeway of What Cheer and Doris (Michael) Perry of West Des Moines; her sister, Dorothy (Hartzell) Hillyard of Burlington as well as six grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.