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Funeral services for Hazel Foster were held at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec.6, at the Nevenhoven Funeral Home, Brooklyn. The Rev. Carol Myers, pastor of the Malcom and Sheridan United Methodist Churches, officiated. The musician was Marilyn Kriegel and the soloist was Marty Duffus. Special selections were "Amazing Grace" and "In The Garden." Casket-bearers were Doug Duffus, Tony Foster, Mike Duffus, Marty Duffus, John Smith and Gerald Foster. Interment was in Ivy Hill Cemetery, Malcom. A memorial fund has been established.

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On March 25, 1936, Hazel was married to Alvin Maynard Foster in Des Moines. They were the parents of two sons, Gerald and Marvin. They farmed many years south of Brooklyn. In recent years she was a resident of Brooklyn Community Estates.

She was a member of the HGL Club and enjoyed spending time doing various things with her friends. Her family was very important to her.

Her parents; a son, Marvin Foster; and brother, Harold Foster preceded her in death

Surviving are her son, Gerald and wife Cindy of Oregon; a daughter-in-law, Joan Foster of Cedar Rapids; a brother, Harry Duffus of Grinnell; her grandchildren, Anthony Foster and wife, Cindy, of Oregon, Bradly Foster and wife, Annette, of Ft. Collins, Colo., Marlana Johnson and husband, Anthony, of Oregon; Karen Smith and husband, John, of Ely; and nine great-grandchildren.

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