Bernese L. York, 102

Bernese L. York, age 102, formerly of Ladora and Cedar Rapids, died Wednesday, May 18, 2005 at Brookhaven Nursing Home, Brooklyn, following a brief illness. Private family graveside services were held at 2 p.m. on Friday, May 20, at the Ladora Cemetery. The Rev. David Crow officiated at the service. Kloster Funeral Home, Marengo, was in charge of arrangements.



She is survived by a son, Harley and wife Vera of Ladora; two daughters, Kay Shaull and husband Kenneth of Otto,

N.C., and Aletha Green of Cedar Rapids; 16 grandchildren; and many great- and great-great grandchildren. Also surviving is a daughter-in-law, Lois York of Ladora. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; a daughter, Marjorie Kayrol: a son, Edwin; and two sisters, Elva Jones and Arlene Wooton.

Bernese Leola Beemer was born March 18, 1903, in Ladora, the daughter of Floyd and Bertha (Maudlin) Beemer. She received her education in the Ladora schools. Bernese married Richard Dale York, and the couple lived in Ladora for many years, where she worked at Wayne Shaull Grocery Store. Dale died January 28, 1948. Following her husband's death, Bernese moved to Cedar Rapids, where she was employed at SunMart Groceries, in Cedar Rapids and Marion. Since 1997, she had made her home at Brookhaven nursing home due to failing health.

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