

**Lois Eleanor Castner**  
**Oct. 22, 1918 - July 23, 2017**



Lois Castner, 98, formerly of New Sharon, died July 23, at Northern Mahaska Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, in Oskaloosa, where she has been a resident for the last seven years. Services were July 26, at New Sharon United Methodist Church. Memorial contributions may be made to the New Sharon United Methodist Church or the New Sharon Fire and Rescue.

Lois Eleanor Castner was born October 22, 1918, at Union Township, in Poweshiek County, to Elmer and Lelia (Faulkner) Ender-son. She was graduated from New

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Sharon High School with the class of 1936.

April 2, 1941, she was united in marriage to Donald Castner, at the United Methodist Church in New Sharon. The union was blessed with three daughters. After completing normal training, she taught in country schools in Mahaska County. Lois was a full-time homemaker and excellent cook, and enjoyed gardening, especially tending her roses. She was a member of the New Sharon United Methodist Church and the United Methodist Women's Group. She was a founding member of the "Sew and So" Club.

Lois is survived by her daughters; Janne (Thurman) Kitchin of Winter Park, FL, Carma (Laurel) DeJong of New Sharon, and Beth (Larry) Arendt of Clive, seven grandchildren, and fifteen great grandchildren.

Lois was preceded in death by her husband, Donald; her parents; and her brother and sister-in-law, Keith and Virginia Enderson.