

Verna E. Behounek, 95

Mrs. Verna E. Behounek, 95, of Grinnell, died Thursday, April 06, 2006, in Grinnell Regional Medical Center, Grinnell.

Funeral services for Mrs. Behounek were held at 2 p.m., Saturday, April 8, at the Nevenhoven Funeral Home, Brooklyn. Mr. Dennis Smith, Minister of the Madison Church of Christ, Brooklyn, officiated. The musician was Marilyn Kriegel. Casket-bearers were Glen Sedlacek, Larry Wilson, Don Bauman, Myron Byers, Karl Byers, Scott Wilson and Larry Dayton. Interment was in Brooklyn Memorial Cemetery.

Verna Elizabeth Carlsen Behounek was born April 25, 1910, at Brooklyn. Her parents were Carl Carlsen and Lizzie Wylie Carlsen.

She was a graduate of the Brooklyn High School. Verna married Edward Leo Behounek on May 16, 1936, at Marshalltown. They were parents of a son, Daryl.

She taught school in a one-room school before she was married. After marriage they farmed for over 30 years ten miles north of Brooklyn. In 1966 they moved to Grinnell, and to Brooklyn in 1974. In 1978, they returned to Grinnell.

Mrs. Behounek was very sports minded, especially enjoying basketball and baseball.

Her parents, her husband who died January 10, 1989; and four brothers and sisters, Leslie Carlsen, Harold Carlsen, Hazel Byers and George Carlsen, preceded her in death.

Surviving are a son Daryl Behounek of Grinnell; nephews, Myron Byers of Montezuma, and Lowell Byers of Lakewood, Colorado; other relatives and friends.

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She is survived by one son Daryl Behounek of Grinnell. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and four brothers and sisters, Leslie Carlsen, Harold Carlsen, Hazel Byers and George Carlsen.