Mary E. Duesler, 101

Mrs. Mary E. Duesler, 101, of Brooklyn, died Monday, December 19, 2005, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center, Grinnell.

Mary Ethel Carper Duesler was born April 12, 1904 in Champaign County, Illinois. Her parents were Eugene G. Carper and Maude Spears Carpenter. She graduated from high school in Ligonier, Ind.

On May 29, 1923 Mary married Alfred M. Duesler at the Christian Church in Mishawaka, Ind. They were the parents of four daughters, Norma, Kathryn, Betty and Patricia.

Mrs. Duesler worked for 22 years as a silver solder for Beuscher Band Instruments of Elkhart, Ind. Her husband died in 1953 and she moved to Brooklyn in 1987.

Mrs. Duesler was a member of the Grace United Methodist Church and UMW.

Her parents; her husband; one daughter, Patricia; and five sisters preceded her in death.

Surviving are three daughters, Norma Robinson of Chester, Kay Gillette and husband Bert of Brooklyn, and Betty Jacobs of Frankfurt, Ky.; one brother, Wesley Carper of Dunlap, Ind.; eleven grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and three great-great grandchildren.

There will be local services. Burial of cremains will be in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens at Osceola, Ind. at a later date.

Nevenhoven Funeral Services was in charge of local arrangements.