

Hilda Van De Voorde, 96

Hilda Van De Voorde, 96, of Belle Plaine, died on Wednesday, Jan. 30, 2008, at the Belle Plaine Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

Mass of the Resurrection will be held at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 9, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Belle Plaine with the Rev. Jason Thuerauf, pastor of St. Helena's Catholic Church in Fort Morgan, Colo., officiating. Organist will be Judy Paricek and the Rev. Jeff Thuerauf will be the Cantor. Casket bearers will be Mary McDonald, David Van De Voorde, Mark Van De Voorde, Kevin Van De Voorde, John E. Thuerauf, Cherie Connolly-Graddy, Lori Connolly, and Julie Connolly. Interment will be at the Calvary Cemetery in Victor.



A Scripture Service will be held at 7 p.m., Friday, Feb. 8, at the Smith Funeral Home in Victor.

Friends may call at the Smith Funeral Home in Victor beginning at noon on Friday, and the family will be present at the funeral home from 4 to 8 p.m. on Friday.

Memorials may be directed to the Amenity Hospice of Cedar Rapids or to St. Michael's Catholic Church.

Hilda was born on Feb. 26, 1911, in Moline, Ill., to Henry and Mary Stevens Van Otegham. She was raised on the family farm near Victor and attended rural school.

On Sept. 27, 1933, she was married to Edward B. Van De Voorde in Moline, Ill. The couple farmed near Victor and Brooklyn. She worked in the dietary department of Grinnell General Hospital from 1971 to 1991. They moved to Belle Plaine in 1982.

Hilda was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church of Belle Plaine, the Altar and Rosary Society and was a dedicated 4-H leader for nine years. She enjoyed gardening and spending time with her grandchildren.

She is survived by one son, Eugene (Marilyn) Van De Voorde of Brooklyn; two daughters, Theresa (Paul) Thuerauf of Wilcox, Ariz., and Joyce Connolly of Littleton, Colo.; 10 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and four sisters, Madalene Wauters and Marie DeMeyer, both of Belle Plaine, Helen Wauters of Victor, and Henrietta Malloy of Oxford.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; one grandson, Joe Thuerauf; two brothers, John and Harry Van Otegham; and one sister, Clara Anderson.

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