

## Carmen O. Kriegel, 84 PCCR Mar 18, 2009

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Casket bearers were Jeff Cordes, Gabe Neighbors, Chris Kriegel, Mike Kriegel, Karl Kriegel, Nick Hargis, Wes Kriegel, and Jesse Schmidt.



Carmen is survived by her husband, James; 14 children, Carmen Kay Cordes (Marvin) of Guernsey, Rosemary Neighbors (Gordon) of Malcom, Gary Kriegel (Becky) of Malcom, Kathy Whitsell (Gary) of Chelsea, Connie Buffum (Jim) of Grinnell, Debbie Hargis (Caleb) of New Sharon, Cindy Schmidt of Montezuma, Don Kriegel (Christy) of Malcom, Roger Kriegel (Valerie) of Deep River, Janet Plants (Ron) of Brooklyn, Angie Roller (Kevin) of Holiday Lake, Vickie Bunn (Mike) of Brooklyn, Valerie Schaffbuch (Brad) of Victor, and Janine Hawkins (Dave) of Brooklyn; 46 grandchildren, 41 great-grandchildren; and a half-sister, Joan Cummings Williams of Florida.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two sons, Elmer and Danny Kriegel; a daughter, Shirley Ahrens; a daughter-in-law, Dawn Kriegel; a grandson, Todd Allen Kriegel; and a special aunt, Doris Estes.

Carmen Opal Cummings was born Jan. 12, 1925, in Grinnell, the daughter of Raymond and Clio Billick Cummings. She graduated from Malcom High School in 1943, and married James E. Kriegel on June 22, 1946. The couple farmed in Poweshiek County for many years. Carmen was a mother and a homemaker. She was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Brooklyn, the Altar and Rosary Society, and the River Road Club. She enjoyed gardening, reading, traveling and having family get-togethers.

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