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Wilma Van Genderen

Wilma Van Genderen, daughter of the late Neal and Gora (Depenning) Vander Leest, was born on Jan. 23, 1915 in Sully, Iowa and departed this life on May 17, 2009 in the Autumn Oaks Caring Center in Mtn. Grove, Missouri, following a short illness, at 94 years of age.

Wilma grew up and attended school in Iowa. She was saved at an early age and remained faithful throughout the years. She was united in marriage to William Van Genderen on Feb. 9, 1938. Two sons, Dale and Doyle, were born to this union.

In 1959 they moved to Missouri where they purchased a dairy farm in Texas County near Cabool. They enjoyed farming for many years. While living there, they attended the Bado Community Church where she taught Sunday School for 30 years. When they retired they moved to Mtn. Grove where they made their church home at

the First Freewill Baptist Church.

Wilma enjoyed sewing for her family, crocheting and gardening. She loved spending time with her family and visiting with her many friends.

She is survived by her husband of 71 years, William "Bill" Van Genderen of their home; two sons and their wives: Doyle and Ruth Van Genderen of Mtn. Grove and Dale and Gayle Van Genderen of Spokane, Missouri; two brothers: Vernon Vander Leest and Robert Vander Leest; three sisters: Evelyn Roll, Dorothy Lane and Helen Schmidt, all of the state of Iowa; six grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; nieces; nephews; church family; and a host of other relatives and friends who will miss her very much.

"County thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him; He shall bring it to pass." Psalm 37:5.