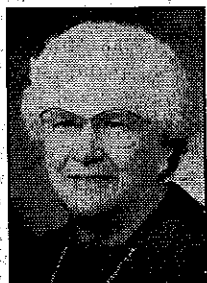


Obituary

Eva Van Maanen, 92, of Pella

Everdena Van De Kieft was born on April 23, 1916, in Marion County, south of Pella, Iowa. She was the eighth of nine children that were born to John M. and Maggie Van Den Berg Van De Kieft. Eva, as she became known, attended the Rock Island Country Grade School in Mahaska County, Iowa and graduated from the 8th grade. As a young girl she began working at the Rolscreen Company in Pella. On February 9, 1938, she was united in marriage with Henry Van Maanen, a son of John and Tunnie Meinders Van Maanen, at the parsonage of the Second Christian Reformed Church in Pella. To this union four children were born: Duane, Lee, Jaron Eugene, Marilyn, Joan and Karen Kay. Following their marriage, Henry and Eva farmed in Mahaska, Marion and Jasper Counties near Pella until moving into town in 1967. Eva and Henry then began working at the Rolscreen Company where she was employed until she retired in 1981. Eva and Henry enjoyed their retirement in Pella and on January 25, 1990, he passed away unexpectedly at the age of 77 years. Eva continued to reside in their home, 507 Monroe Street, until moving into Fair Haven East where she was a resident until becoming a resident at Hilltop Manor North. On Saturday morning, July 19, 2008, she passed away at the Hospice of Pella Comfort House in Pella at the age of 92 years, 2 months and 26 days. Eva was baptized in 1916 and made profession of her faith in 1938 at the Second Christian Reformed Church in Pella. At the time of her death she was a faithful member of the First Christian Reformed Church in Pella where she had been



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a member of the Helping Hand Mission Society. Eva is survived by three children and their spouses, a daughter-in-law, and 11 grandchildren. They and their families are:

Duane and Mary (Van Wyk) Van Maanen, Darla and David Stibral, Debra and Dale Hessing, David and Beth Van Maanen, Darcy and Greg Horstman, Danee and Lonnie De Zwarte, (Jaron Van Maanen) Joyce Mac Kenzie, Jacqueline and Kevin Reddy, Jerilyn Guessford, Jeffrey and Skye Van Maanen, Jennifer and Cole Weideman, Marilyn and Bob Bokhoven, Stuart and Amy Bokhoven, Amy and Chad Whitten, Karen and Michael Jenkins.

Eva's family had grown to include 31 great-grandchildren. Eva was the last descendant of her Van De Kieft family and leaves two sisters-in-law: Margaret (Marion) Van De Kieft of Pella and Jessie (Raymond) Van De Kieft of Knoxville, Iowa. Eva was preceded in death by her husband, Henry; her son, Jaron Van Maanen, who was killed in an airplane accident in 1975 at the age of 33 years; a daughter-in-law, Janice (Duane) Van Maanen who died in 1996 at the age of 54 years; a great-granddaughter, Catherine Reddy, who was stillborn in 1995; her parents, John and Maggie Van De Kieft; four sisters: Everdena, who died at the age of 3 years and Margaret, who died at the age of 4 years, Janet (Matt) Tuinstra and Johanna (Herman) Grootveld; and her four brothers: John (Ruth) Van De Kieft, Gerrit (Grace) Van De Kieft, Raymond Van De Kieft and Marion Van De Kieft. Eva did a lot of handwork, making quilts, embroidery and crocheting. She enjoyed traveling, solving word puzzles, visiting, cooking for her family, and most recently eating out.

Funeral service was held on Tuesday, July 22, 2008, at 10:30 a.m. at First Christian Reformed Church in Pella, Iowa. Interment was at Oakwood Cemetery, Pella, Iowa.