

# Gertrude B. Bastian

Gertrude Bastian, 94, Victor, died March 6, 2001, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m., March 9, 2001, at Smith Funeral Home in Victor. Officiant was Rev. Audrey Westendorf, New Covenant Parish United Methodist Church in Victor. Organist was Fred Stiefel, with special selection as "This is My Father's World." Pallbearers were Robert Woodward, Scott Christensen, Rich Creps, Dean Dolmage, Dave Dolmage, Marvin Edwards, Frank Hollopetter and Don Rohrer. Burial was in Ivy Hill Cemetery, Malcom.

The daughter of Ralph and Hattie Byerly Ball, Gertrude was born Nov. 29, 1906, in Collins, Ia. She later moved to Nevada and was a 1924 graduate of Nevada High School. She also was a graduate of Iowa State Teachers College in Cedar Falls. Gertrude taught school for three years in Story County and for eight years in Newton. She was married to Arnold W. Bastian June 6, 1937, in Marshalltown. The couple made their home in Newburg prior to moving to Victor in 1950, where they also farmed until 1976. She was a member of the Victor United Methodist Church and United Methodist Women. She was also a member of the Eastern Star and Federated Women's Club.

Gertrude held a passion for needlework, quilting and cooking. Being involved in church activities was also very important to her.

Survivors include two children and their spouses, David and Louise Bastian of Victor and Bernice and Norman Woodward of Helena, Mo.; four grandchildren, Denise Creps, Julie Christensen, Robert Woodward and Diane Woodward; five great-grandchildren, Ryan and Toshia Creps and Mickey, Alex and Katie Christensen; and one sister, Callista Adams of North Bend, Ore.

Her parents; her husband; one grandson, Kevin Bastian; two brothers, William and Stanley Ball; and one sister, Bertha Ball, preceded her in death. Memorial contributions may be directed to the Gertrude B. Bastian Memorial Fund.

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A Gertrude B. Bastian Memorial Fund has been established.

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