

Margaret R. Christian

Funeral services are to be held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Nevenhoven Funeral Home, Brooklyn, for Mrs. Margaret R. Christian, 82, of Brooklyn, who died Sunday, Sept. 12, 1999, in the Brookhaven Nursing Home in Brooklyn.

The Rev. Richard Okumu, pastor of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Brooklyn, will officiate, and the organist will be Marilyn Kriegel. Honorary casket bearers will be Mary Lemke, Tracy Grimsley, Cari Christian, Julie Stahl and Zac Davis. Casket bearers will be John Hanzelka, Chris Feters, Butch Lemke, Pete Hasley, Jon Stahl and Jeff Verdeck. Interment will be in Calvary Cemetery, Brooklyn.

Margaret Rose Verdeck Christian, daughter of August Verdeck and Irma DeCaluwe Verdeck, was born Nov. 7, 1916, on a farm in Iowa Township, Iowa County. She received her education in a rural school in Lincoln Township and the St. John's Catholic School in Victor.

On Sept. 10, 1936, Margaret was married to Peter F. Christian in Victor. They farmed four miles west of Victor and in 1964, Margaret moved into Brooklyn, where she lived until 1986, when she moved to Grinnell. In January 1996, she returned to Brooklyn, living in the Brookhaven Nursing Home.

She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church of Grinnell.

Preceding her in death were her husband on Aug. 18, 1964; four brothers, Ray Verdeck, Leonard Verdeck, Charlie Verdeck and an infant brother; and two grandchildren.

Surviving are one son and his wife, Robert and Denise Christian of Grinnell; four daughters, Rose Hanzelka, and her husband, John, of Conrad, Dolores White of Dayton, Ohio, Elsie Hasley of Cedar Rapids, and Linda Davis of Hurst, Texas; one brother, Arnold Verdeck of Hartwick; eight grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

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