

## Mary H. DeSmet

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The daughter of John and Emma Burry McGarry, Mary Helen was born Aug. 18, 1915, in Victor. She received her education at St. John's Catholic School and was graduated in 1933. She received a teaching certificate from Mount St. Claire, in Clinton and taught at a rural school north of Victor for nine years.

She was married to John H. DeSmet Jan. 31, 1946, in Victor. The couple farmed north of Victor for many years before moving to Victor in 1990. She most recently had been a resident at the Belle Plaine Care Center.

She was a member of St. Bridget's Catholic Church, the Altar and Rosary Society, Marion Study Club, and the Victor American Legion Auxiliary.

She is survived by her husband, John of Belle Plaine; two sons, Jim DeSmet and his wife, Susan of Victor and Johnny and his friend, Cindy Folkman of Victor, three grandchildren, Chris, Bill, and Jenny; a brother, Leo McGarry of St. Petersburg, Fla.; two sisters-in-law, Pauline DeSmet of Victor and Betty Osborn of Brooklyn; and several nieces and nephews.

Mary Helen died March 1, at the Belle Plaine Care Center, at the age of 79. She was preceded in death by her parents; a son, Robert; and two brothers, Joseph and William McGarry.

Services were held March 4 at St. Bridget's Catholic Church, Victor. The Rev. Stephen Page, pastor was officiant of the services.

Music was provided by organist Marilyn Kriegel, accompanied by St. Bridget's Catholic Church Choir.

Altar Servers were Joe Baetsle, Kyle Gray and Joe Nace.

Pallbearers were Chuck Baetsle, Roger DeMeulenaere, Dan Nace, Ron Nace, John Thys and Bill Van Waus.

Interment was at Calvary Cemetery, Victor, following services.

March 2, 1995  
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