

DORIS DOWNEY KELLER

A memorial service for Doris Downey Keller, 76, of Adel was held Jan. 18 at First Christian Church in Adel with a graveside service at 3 p.m. that day at Golden Rod Cemetery in Deep River. Mrs. Keller died Jan. 14, 1989, at Adel Acres Nursing Home.

The Rev. Tim Johnson officiated at the Adel service and the Rev. Terri Gomez, pastor of Deep River Christian Church, officiated at the graveside service.

Honorary Casket Bearers were Kerry Doty, Bret Gilliland, Brad Keller, Gary Downey, Bob Downey and Kenneth Keller.

Mrs. Keller was born Nov. 28, 1912, in Grinnell, the daughter of Charles F. Downey and Leo Ethel Thomas Downey. She graduated from Brooklyn High School in 1931. She worked as a home helper and taught in a rural school. On Feb. 27, 1933, she married Wayne H. Keller in Morrison, Ill. They lived in the Deep River area until they moved to West Des Moines in 1953. She managed Chef Drive-In there. In 1954 they moved to Adel and with the exception of a few years in Montezuma and Deep River in the 1970s, they continued to live there. She was a member of the Christian Church in Deep River and American Legion Auxiliary in Adel.

Her husband died in 1986. She was also preceded in death by her parents and three brothers: Glen, Eugene and Daryl Downey.

She is survived by a son, Scott Keller of Prescott, Ariz.; daughters Mrs. LaVerne (Judy) Doty of Deep River, Mrs. Ron (Pat) Gilliland and Suzy Belgarde of Adel; grandchildren Michelle Doty and her husband, Kurt Baty of Medway, Md., Derry Doty of Lubbock, Tex., Kim Keller of Phoenix, Ariz., Bret Gilliland and his wife, Leah, of Indianapolis, Ind., Brad Keller of Prescott, Ariz., Deidra Gilliland of San Diego, Calif., Kiff Belgarde of Creston and Angie Gilliland of Adel; her brothers and their wives, Dean and Louise Downey of Des Moines and Gary and Thelma Downey of Arcadia, Calif.