Helen Marie Jess Kleinendorst

Helen Marie Jess Kleinendorst, 70, of rural Newton, died of cancer Sunday morning, Oct. 13, at her home.

Funeral services were held Wednesday morning, Oct. 16, at 10:30 a.m. at the Community Heights Alliance Church with the Rev. David Presher and the Rev. Bill Adams officiating. Burial was in Newton Union Cemetery.

Born Dec. 14, 1920, south of Newton, she was the daughter of John and Trina Jess. She attended schools in Newton and graduated from Grinnell High School in 1939.

She completed teacher's training, but after marrying Lynn Arthur Kleinendorst in Nevada, Mo., on Feb. 22, 1942, she embarked on a career as a homemaker.

She was a member of the Jasper County Farm Bureau, the 50-50 Fellowship and the Community Heights Alliance Church.

Her parents preceded her in death. She is survived by her husband; a son, Warren Arthur Kleinendorst of Boone; two daughters, Margaret Jean Weuve of Colo and Barbara Lynn Hoover of Carlisle; a brother, Lawrence R. Jess of Madrid; and a sister, Mary Louise Elscott of Iowa City.