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Thelma K. Leimberer June 7, 2000

Funeral services for Thelma Kathleen Leimberer, 87, were held Saturday, June 3, at Congregational Bible Church, Hartwick, with the Rev. Paul Hughes officiating. Interment was in Winslow Cemetery, Belle Plaine. Mrs. Leimberer died May 30, 2000, at a local hospital.

Casket bearers were Bradley Berryhill, Paul Lynn, Brian Berryhill, Dwight Leimberer, John Lynn and Roger Formanek. Music was provided by the organist, Joan McConnell, with special music by Tina Leimberer.

Thelma Walter was born Jan. 23, 1913, on her great-uncle's farm near Deep River, to Edward and Mary Rinchart Walter. Her family moved to a farm owned by her grandfather, William A. Walter, which was located on the county line two miles north of Victor, when she was 5 years old.

She graduated from Victor Public School in Victor in 1931. She attended Iowa State Teachers College and taught for eight years in rural schools.

On May 19, 1940, she married Milo Foster Leimberer at the home of her parents near Victor, in Iowa County. They fived on a farm two miles north of Hartwick, which was where he had grown up.

She was a homemaker and was active in church and community work. She was a member of the Hartwick Bible Church and a Sunday school teacher, 4-H leader and a member of the local Historical Society, Poweshick County Genealogy Group, and served as secretary/treasurer of the Winslow Cemetery Association.

She was the Winslow family reunion secretary/treasurer and sat at polls during elections, and she worked at Amana Refrigeration for several years.

In October 1997 she moved to Bismarck, N.D., to be near her family. She was fond of her family, friends and home life. She enjoyed sewing and quilting, gardening, collecting antiques, working on genealogy and her involvement in church.

Preceding her in death were her husband on Dec. 4, 1974, at Hartwick; a brother, Ralph Orville Walter; and a sister. Grace Eleanor Ketterling.

She is survived by a daughter, Mary Sather, Santa Fe, N.M.; her son and daughter-in-law, Clyde and Earlyne Leimberer, Bismarck, N.D.; five granddaughters, Sonia Quade, Brenda Leimberer, Tara Sather, and Tina and Sarah Leimberer; a grandson, Dwight Leimberer; two great-granddaughters; four great-grandsons; a sister, Dorothy Tuttle, Des Moines; a sister-in-law, Mildred Leimberer, Waterloo; many nieces, nephews, friends and acquaintances.