

Hazel M. Lester, 88

MR July 17, 2002

Hazel Marie Lester, 88, died Tuesday, July 9, at Salem, Ore.. A memorial service was held Saturday, July 13, at St. Paul Catholic Church, Silverton, Ore., and a private interment was at Jackson Township Cemetery, Montezuma.

Hazel was born Sept. 1, 1913, to Ralph F. and Ethel C. (Hannon) Stevens at Plymouth, Iowa. She moved to Montezuma in 1929 and graduated from Montezuma High School in 1931. She married Edgar J. Lester, June 16, 1935, and was a homemaker raising three children. She also worked as a cook at a restaurant and a nursing home.

Hazel moved to Salem, Ore., two years ago to live with her daughter. She enjoyed

reading, but her great-grandchildren were her greatest joy. She was a member of the Jackson Church of Christ at Montezuma.

Hazel is survived by her daughter, Judy Hasley, of Salem, Ore.; her daughter Verna Garrett of Hiawatha; ten grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Edgar J. Lester; her brother, Leland Stevens; her sister, Neva Borman P. Lester.

Memorial contributions may be directed to a library of choice towards Books on Tape.