

THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 1969

Obituary -

MRS. ELMER MARTENS

Mrs. Elmer Martens, formerly Laura Timmerman, was born on April 28, 1903, in Poweshiek county, Iowa. Her parents were Charles Timmerman and Anna Roesch Timmerman.

She was baptized at St. John's Lutheran church in Lincoln township, Iowa county, on May 24, 1903, by the Rev. Otto Kitzmann.

She received her elementary education in the rural school and at the St. John's Lutheran school. She received Christian instruction in preparation for confirmation from Pastor Otto Kitzmann and was a member of the class of 1918.

On March 4, 1925, she was united in marriage with Elmer Martens, the Rev. F. Krenz hearing their vows. Together this couple made their home within 5-6 miles of their present home three and one-half miles southeast of Deep River. To this union two daughters were born.

Mrs. Martens began to experience ill health about 10 years ago. Just recently her illness became more acute and on Sunday evening, June 29, her soul was called out of this world to its eternal home at the age of 66 years, two months and one day.

Preceding her in death were her father and mother, two brothers, Emil and Raymond.

Surviving her departure are her husband, Elmer Martens of rural Deep River; two daughters, La Vera of Cedar Rapids and Mrs. Gaylord (Marlene) Mantz of Marengo; four grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Rena Freundt of Victor; also cousins, friends, and acquaintances.

Funeral services were held on July 2 at 2 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran church with the Rev. E. Weiss officiating. Mrs. Bierbaum was at the organ and accompanied congregational singing. Two hymns were sung, "Rock of Ages" and "Abide With Me". Flowers were cared for by Mr. and Mrs. Oris Martens. Casket bearers were Clark Hinrichs, Floyd Faas, George Behrens, Herley Weiss, Ralph Weiss and Albert Schultz.

Burial was in St. John's Lutheran cemetery.

Rites For Mrs. Martens Held July 2

Funeral services for Mrs. Elmer (Laura) Martens of rural Deep River were conducted Wednesday afternoon, July 2, at St. John's Lutheran Church with the Rev. Weiss officiating. Music was provided by the congregation accompanied by Mrs. Bierbaum at the organ. Flower attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Oris Martens. Casket bearers were Clark Hinrichs, Floyd Faas, George Behrens, Herley Weiss, Ralph Weiss and Albert Schultz.

Mr. and Mrs. Oris Martens, 66, passed away Sunday evening, June 29. She had been in failing health for about ten years. The daughter of Charles and Anna Roesch Timmerman, she was born April 28, 1903, in Poweshiek County. She was baptized and confirmed at St. John's Lutheran Church and received her education in a rural school and at St. John's Lutheran school. On March 4, 1925, she was united in marriage with Elmer Martens. To this union two daughters were born.

She is survived by her husband; two daughters, La Vera of Cedar Rapids and Mrs. Gaylord (Marlene) Mantz of Marengo; four grandchildren; and a sister, Mrs. Rena Freundt of Victor. She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Emil and Raymond.