

Esther B. Plesek

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A vigil service will be at the Hand Funeral Chapel, Tama, at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 6, for Esther B. Plesek, 88, of Grinnell, with funeral services at 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 7, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Tama-Toledo. Fr. Keith L. Birch will be the celebrant, and burial will be in the National Cemetery, rural Vining. Friends may call at the Hand Funeral Chapel after 5 p.m. on Wednesday.

Mrs. Plesek died Saturday evening, Aug. 1, 1998, at Lake Wood Hospital, Baudette, Minn., where she had been admitted on July 30 for pancreatic observation. She had been in failing health for the past three weeks.

Born Esther Blanche Zhorne on Feb. 4, 1910, on the family farm five miles south of Tama, she was the daughter of Joseph and Mayme Nekola Zhorne. She received her education in the Columbia Township #6 school. She grew to womanhood in this area.

On Feb. 12, 1934, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Tama, she was married to Albert J. (Bert) Plesek of rural Chelsea. The couple farmed three years near Chelsea and moved to their present home five miles southeast of Gilman in the Grinnell area. She was a member of the Catholic church.

Mr. Plesek died Feb. 1, 1979. Also preceding her in death were two brothers, Leonard and Leo.

Surviving her are a daughter, Vanita C. (Mrs. Karl W.) Seeburger of Des Moines, two grandchildren, Tara R. Seeburger of Dallas, Texas, and Brett W. Seeburger of Des Moines. Also surviving are two sisters-in-law and a brother-in-law, Eleanor (Mrs. Leo) Zhorne and Louise Plesek of Tama, and Edwin Plesek of Chelsea, and several more distant relatives.

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