Claire L. Ricketts, 84

Claire Louise (Ryan) Ricketts, 84, of Brooklyn, died Saturday, Aug. 10, 2002, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

A memorial service will be at 10 a.m., Wednesday, Aug. 14, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Brooklyn, with the Rev. Richard Okumu officiating. Musician will be Marilyn Kriegel. Honorary casketbearers will be Annette Corbertt, Lisa Harms, David Ricketts, Debra Ricketts, Tara King, Kaela Postma, Cory Black, Emilea Wilson, Jacob Wilson, Tyler Postma and John Postma.

A graveside service will be held at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 14, in Nevada (Iowa) Municipal Cemetery with military rites. Friends may call at Nevenhoven Funeral Home, Brooklyn, 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday. A memorial has been established.

> Mrs. Ricketts was born Jan. 31, 1918, in Medford, Mass., the daughter of Will

iam Ryan and Margaret (Manning) Ryan. She recieved her education at Medford and served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II.

In 1944, she married Robert Anthony Ricketts in San Bernardino, Calif. After being discharged from the service, they moved to Nevada, Iowa, where she was a press operator at Donnelly's for many years. In 1994, she moved to Brooklyn.

She belonged to St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Brooklyn and its Altar and Rosary Society; St. Francis Study Club and the American Legion Auxiliary, Nevada.

Surviving are a son, Robert (Virginia) Ricketts, Brooklyn; two daughters, Janet (Roy) Black, Nevada, and Christine (Larry) Wilson, Altoona; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Her parents, husband and two sisters preceded her in death.