## Mrs. Merle Eva Oswood, 92

Mrs. Merle Eva Oswood, 92, of Brooklyn, died Monday, November 1, 2004, at Brooklyn Community Estates, Brooklyn.

Funeral services for Mrs. Oswood were held November 4 at Grace United Methodist Church, Brooklyn, with the Rev. David Rogula officiating. Interment was in Brooklyn Memorial Cemetery.

Casket bearers were Jon Oswood, Brad Oswood, Frank Fox, Carig Petitgout, Chris Gritsch and Mike Fiebelkorn.

Nevenhoven Funeral Services was in charge of arrangements.

Merle Eva White Oswood was born June 16, 1912, in Dumont. Her parents were Delivan and Cora Miller White. She was a graduate of Dumont High School. She was married to Estle B. Oswood on September 17, 1932, at Hansell, Iowa. They lived in Hansell, Alden and Swaledale, and Oatman, Arizona, before moving back to Hansell. In 1968, they moved to Hampton, and in 2000, they moved to Brooklyn.

While living at Hampton, Mrs. Oswood was active in the Methodist Church, serving on many committees and as a member of the UMW. Since living in Brooklyn, she was a member of Grace United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Oswood enjoyed quilting, ceramics, playing the piano, organ and Hawaiian guitar, and fishing with her husband. She made over 100 quilts for her family and 12 ceramic Nativity scenes.

Her parents, two brothers and one sister preceded her in death.

Surviving are her husband, Estle; three sons, Wayne (Marlene) Oswood of Mason City, Lyle (Jean) Oswood of Brooklyn, and Delivan (Barbara) Oswood of Bullhead City, Arizona.; 10 grandchildren, Julie Fox, Jon Oswood, Janine Petitgout, Natalie Gritsch, Stacie Fiebelkorn, Brad Oswood, Jeff Oswood, Gwen Oswood, Angel Oswood and Vickie Cochran; 18 great-grandchildren, Tyler, Kaitlin and Carter Oswood, Sidney and Rylee Petitgout, Spencer, Kyle, and Rylie Gritsch, McKenna, Kenadie and Kaiden Fiebelkorn, Matthew and Corinne Oswood, Danette, Rebecca and April Oswood, and Rachel and Jennifer Cochran.

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