

Van Duren rites Thursday

Artie DeRooi Van Duren, 97, of Oskaloosa died Tuesday morning, Jan. 3, at Pleasant Park Nursing Home in Oskaloosa.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. at the Central Reformed Church of Oskaloosa, with the Rev. John Frey officiating. Burial was in Forest Cemetery, Oskaloosa. The Newiman Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be made to the Vacation Bible School at the church.

The daughter of Anna and Shoujke Kamstra Elsoo, she was born Sept. 9, 1891, near Lacy. She was married to Benjamin DeRooi Feb. 3, 1915, at Leighton. Mr. DeRooi died in 1953. She was married to William Van Duren Feb. 14, 1966, at Oskaloosa. Mr. Van Duren died in 1979.

Mrs. Van Duren was a longtime member of the Central Reformed Church. She had worked at Don's Diner in Oskaloosa for 11 years prior to her retirement.

Surviving are one daughter, Willie VanWeelden of Oskaloosa; two sons, Andrew DeRooi of Macon, Mo., and John DeRooi of Grinnell; 10 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson; a stepdaughter, June Gysen of Auburn, Calif.; two stepsons, James VanDuren of Belleflower, Calif., and Dale Van Duren of St. Paul, Minn.; 11 step-grandchildren; 15 step-great-grandchildren; seven step-great-great-grandchildren; and three sisters, Betty Veldhuizen of Pella, Minnie Penuel of Kansas City, Mo., and Bertha Bennett, also of Kansas City.

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(William)