

Merna M. Veverka, 77

(EDWARD JAMES)

Mrs. Merna M. Veverka, 77, of Brooklyn, died Saturday, Feb. 2, at Winslow House Care Center, Marion, Iowa.

Funeral services for Merna Veverka were held at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, Feb. 5, at the Nevenhoven Funeral Home, Brooklyn. Rev. Gaylon Decious of Cedar Rapids officiated. Casket-bearers were Alan LeClere, Jeff Holub, Craig Titler, Ron LeClere and Steve LeClere. Interment was in Victor Memorial Cemetery. A memorial fund has been established and may be left with the Nevenhoven Funeral Home.

Merna Minerva Minehart Veverka, daughter of Neil Wilbur Minehart and Minerva Susanna Ratcliff Minehart, was born May 8, 1924, at Anamosa, Iowa. Merna was a graduate of Hopkins High School. After graduation she moved to Washington, D.C. She was married to Rene Pariseau on January 1, 1948, in Washington, D.C. They were later divorced.

On February 22, 1958, she was married to Edward James Veverka at Brooklyn where they made their home. Mr. Veverka died September 29, 1974. Mrs. Veverka enjoyed movies, movie stars, movie trivia, roller-skating and country music.

Surviving are her son and his wife, Rynnie L. and Kathy Pariseau, of Rapid City, South Dakota; one daughter and her husband, Renee and Ron Manley of Newton; two brothers, Nelson LeClere of Prairieburg, Iowa and Manly LeClere of Cedar Rapids; two sisters Merla May Russell of Marion and Nona Donegan of Prairieburg; eight grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and several step great-grandchildren.

Her parents, her husband Edward, and one grandchild, Edward Pariseau, preceded her in death.

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