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Bernice Hamelau

Born: 9/4/1902

Died: 4/11/2002

Services will be held at: 2:00 P.M., Tuesday, April 11, 2002 at the Union Cemetery, Union, Iowa.

Visitation times are: from 11:30 A.M. until 1:30 P.M., Tuesday at the Bierborn Funeral Home in Union.

Bernice L. Hamelau, age 99, of, Buena Vista Manor Care Center, Storm Lake, Iowa, formerly of Union & Marshalltown, Iowa, died Thursday, April 11, 2002, at Buena Vista Regional Medical Center, Storm Lake, Iowa. GRAVESIDE FUNERAL SERVICES will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Tuesday, April 16, 2002, at the Union Cemetery, Union, Iowa with Rev. Gregg Davison of Trinity Lutheran Church, Marshalltown, Iowa, officiating. Friends may call for VISITATION from 11:30 A.M. to 1:30 P.M., Tuesday, at the Biersborn Funeral Home. MEMORIALS may be directed to the Bernice Hamelau Memorial Fund.

Bernice was born September 4, 1902, at Union, Iowa the daughter of Robert L. & Minnie (Harris) Anderson. She attended Union schools and graduated from Pasadena High School, Pasadena, California in 1920. She returned to Iowa where she attended Iowa State Teacher's College (now UNI) in Cedar Falls, earning her teaching certificate in 1922. She taught school in the Chester Country Schools near Union from 1923-1924. She was married to James Ivan Foster in 1923. The couple had made their home in the Union & Marshalltown areas and they were later divorced. She then married William H. Hamelau in 1938 in Marshalltown. Bernice lived in Marshalltown until moving to the McCord Manor in Storm Lake in 1992 to be near her son & his family. In 1998, she

moved to the Buena Vista Manor Care Center in Storm Lake. She was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church of Marshalltown where she had served as choir director for many years. She enjoyed music, playing the piano; where she taught many children to play, gardening and was an avid card player. She is survived by her son: Robert & wife Coleen Foster, Lakeside, Iowa, a grandson: Scott & wife Mary Jo Foster, Pella, Iowa, a granddaughter: Rona & husband Donnie Loss, Wesley, Iowa and seven great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband: William in 1973 and a grandson: Terry Foster.