

## Ona Madeline Sleper

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Ona Madeline Sleper, 96, of Huxley, formerly of Maxwell, Iowa, died Saturday, August 23, 2008 at Mary Greeley Medical Center in Ames, Iowa.

Ona was born March 4, 1912 at Belmond, Iowa, the daughter of Guy and Inga (Hanson) Barton. She graduated from the Buffalo Center High School, where she received Normal Training. She then taught at rural schools in Winnebago and Kossuth counties for several years. She was united in marriage to Henry Sleper in December 28, 1934, at her parents' home near Buffalo Center, Iowa. Henry preceded Ona in death on July 5, 1975. She moved to Maxwell in 1979. She was a member of the Maxwell Presbyterian Church, United Presbyterian Women and the Monday Study Club. Ona was an avid reader and enjoyed writing prayers, poems and short sto-

ries. Ona loved her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Ona is survived by a son and daughter-in-law: Gary and Trina Sleper of Battle Creek,

Michigan; two daughters and sons-in-law: Jeanne and Bill Shelledy of Des Moines, Iowa, Joyce and Jerry Harmon of Maxwell, Iowa; 14 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; and 5 great-great grandchildren.

Ona was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; 1 great-grandson, Chad; and two sisters: Mae Egesdal and Ruth Larson.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at the Maxwell Presbyterian Church. Burial will be at 2:00 PM Thursday in Buffalo Grove Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Maxwell Presbyterian Church and to the Ballard Creek Community Center in Huxley.

Bacon Funeral Home in Maxwell is handling arrangements.

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