## **O**BITUARIES

## Ruth (Luthi) Benson, 88

Ruth (Luthi) Benson passed away at her home in Marcus, Iowa on Jan. 25, 2004.

Ruth was born Sept. 6, 1915 to Charles and Emma (Wintermeier) Luthi in Melbourne. She was the youngest of eight children and was raised and educated in Melbourne. She graduated in 1934.

Survivors are: a son, Walter Jerry Benson, Belmond; and daughters Clara Ann Kistenmacher, Holstein; and Mary Ellen (Loren) Terry, Marcus and grandchildren. Preceding her in death were her husband, Jack; son, Raymond (at birth) and son, Larry.

Following services at Marcus, graveside services were held Thursday, Jan. 29 at the Melbourne Cemetery. Pastor Linda Schmidt of St. John UCC officiated.

Fellowship and lunch was attended by family at her nephew's home, Robert (Rita) Zahnd at Melbourne.