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EDITH FLORENCE BOTTS, 90

Edith Florence Botts, 90 of Marshalltown, IA., died Thursday, August 27, 2009, at Southridge Nursing and Rehab Center in Marshalltown. Private services will be held at a later date. Online condolences may be sent to the family at vogelfuneralhomes.com. Arrangements have been entrusted to Pursel Davis Funeral Home.

She was born October 10. 1918. in Ferguson. Iowa, where she lived on a farm with her eight siblings adjacent to Green Castle Lake. Edith graduated from Ferguson High School. She married Harold Botts, who has since passed away. Edith lived in Laurel for many years, where she was employed as a live in housekeeper for the Fred Burrow's family: she also worked at Stone's Restaurant in Marshalltown as the salad maker for over 13 years, retiring in the early 1980's.

She loved to crochet, creating more than 300 afghans in her lifetime. Edith also enjoyed bingo, and all types of puzzles and crosswords. Edith is survived by her grandson, Larry (Brenda) Botts, of Des Moines, IA; a granddaughter, Lisa Sams, from Colfax, IA; two greatgrandsons, Levi (Katherine) Sams, Newton, IA., and Jake Sams, Colfax, IA., and a great-great-granddaughter, Adelyn Sams, along with several nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by a son, Richard James Botts in 1969; a great grand-child, Wesley Botts; six brothers, Harvey, Ben, Orville, James, Marshall (Bus), and Gilbert, and two sisters, Marie and Ruby. Edith enjoyed the fine care and her extended family at Southridge Nursing and Rehab Center.

Noteworthy is the Fuller Arboretum at Green Castle Lake, where a large rock with a plaque memorializes the Fuller family, including her parents and her eight siblings that preceded her. A tree for each member of her family has been planted at Green Castle Lake in their memory.

Memorial Contributions may be directed to: Green Castle Lake Fuller Arboretum c/o Sandi Miller, 1912 Taylor Ave. Marshalltown, IA.

