

January 24, 2002



E. Darlene Carlson

Dec. 14, 1925, to Jan. 17, 2002

E. Darlene Carlson, 76, of Ames, died of cancer on Jan. 17 at the Israel Family Hospice House in Ames.

She was born on a farm near Nevada on Dec. 14, 1925, to Henry O. and Clara (Ackerman) Sudduth. She graduated from Nevada High School in 1943. She married Jerrol M. Carlson on Dec. 14, 1950, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Nevada. She moved to Ames in 1958. She volunteered at the St. Cecilia School library for more than 30 years. The library was renamed the E. Darlene Carlson Library and dedicated to her June 1, 2001. She was a member of St. Cecilia Catholic Church, the St. Ann's Circle and Our Lady of Good Counsel Rosary Makers. She enjoyed crocheting afghans for her family and making rosaries for St. Cecilia sixth graders and foreign mission countries.

Survivors include four sons, Jim Carlson of Nevada, Bob Carlson of Chillicothe, Mo., Mark Carlson of Cambridge and Tim Carlson of Bondurant; one daughter, Mary Ann Carlson of Des Moines; eight grandchildren; 23 step-grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and a brother, John Sudduth of Bella Vista, Ark.

She was preceded in death by her husband and a sister, Agnes Hopkis.

Funeral services were held Monday, Jan. 21, at St. Cecilia Catholic Church in Ames with Father Terry Rassmussen presiding. Burial was in the Ames Municipal Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Israel Family Hospice House in Ames or to E. Darlene Carlson Library at St. Cecilia School. Stevens Memorial Chapel, Ames, handled arrangements.