

April 20, 2006

Evelyn Maxine Eggland 04/20/2006

Evelyn Maxine (Lemons) Eggland, 88, formerly of Nevada, entered heaven on Monday, April 17, 2006 at the Sunny View Care Center in Ankeny. Funeral services will be held 10:30 A.M. on Friday, April 21 at the Salem Lutheran Church in Roland with Pastor Joelle Hanson officiating. Burial will follow in the Roland Cemetery.

Maxine was born on February 10, 1918 in Marion Township of Mercer County, Lineville, Missouri to Jerry M. and Ada Blanche (Hartley) Lemons. She was a 1937 graduate of Lineville Community Schools. On May 8, 1940, Maxine married Ernest B. Eggland at the Little Brown Church in Nashua. She assisted her husband Ernest, a farmer, with the farming operation on the family farm two and three quarters miles southeast of Roland. After Ernest's sudden death, Maxine maintained the farm operation and was also employed at the Iowa State Memorial Union in Ames from 1969-1986. Following declining health in 1998, Maxine lived in the Des Moines and Ankeny areas where she was close to her daughters, Sandra and Kathryn.

Maxine was a member of the Salem Lutheran Church in Roland since 1940, the women's Ladies Aide and church circle. Maxine enjoyed reading, sewing, needlecraft projects, quilting, gardening, cooking, and attending children/grandchildren sport activities. She loved being outdoors and enjoyed life to the fullest.

Maxine is survived by 2 daughters, Sandra Kay (Maurice) Hansen of Johnston, Iowa and Kathryn Irene (Larry) Purscell of Nevada; a son, Keith Bruce (Garlyn Bethke) Eggland of Peoria, AZ; five grandchildren, Janelle (Rick) Strand of Laguna Niguel, CA, Kristi (Dave) Walvoord of Saugus, CA, Bradley (Molly) Purscell of Hinton, IA, Kari (Ryan) Kieborz of Peoria, AZ, and Stacy Eggland of Glendale, AZ; three great grandchildren, Benjamin and Madelyn Purscell of Hinton, IA and Savanna Kieborz of Peoria, AZ; 1 brother, Everett Wayne Lemons of Bettendorf; and 3 sisters, Elaine Dale Vinzant of Nevada, Enid Gwendlyn Moss of Sedalia, MO and Ethel Norma (Lynn) Harris of Nevada.

Maxine was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Ernest on July 3, 1969, 2 infant sisters, and 5 brothers, Elvin Harold, Ernal William, Edwin Ray, Ervin Harvey, and Earl Duane Lemons. Visitation will be held on Thursday, April 20 with the family present from 6-8:00 P.M. at the Chet Ryan Mortuary in Nevada.

A memorial fund has been established for the Salem Lutheran Church in Roland.

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