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Alice Maxine Ersland  
June 27, 2002

June 12, 1923, to June 20, 2002

Alice Maxine "Mickey" Ersland, 79, of Story City and formerly of Ames, died of emphysema on June 20 at Bethany Manor in Story City.

She was born June 12, 1923, in Cincinnati, Iowa, to Roy and Fannie (Smith) Hockman. She graduated from Ames High School in 1942. She married First Sgt. Lester E. Ersland on Aug. 9, 1942, in Bethany, Mo. She lived in Sacramento, Calif., from 1961 to 1991 and worked as a field representative for Blue Shield of California. She was retired. She was a member of Bethesda Lutheran Church in Ames and she enjoyed crocheting, knitting, reading and spending time with friends and family.

Survivors include two sons, Dugan Ersland of Nevada and Anthony Ersland of Fort Worth, Texas; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; one sister, Lynda Forre of Slater; and two brothers, Paul Hockman of Jewell and Bill Hockman of Ames.

She was preceded in death by her husband on April 15, 1945; a sister, Phyllis White; a brother, Jackie Hockman; and one granddaughter, Erika Ersland.

Funeral services were held Monday, June 24, at Bethesda Lutheran Church in Ames with the Rev. Orville Sanderson officiating. Burial was in the Ames Municipal Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Bethesda Lutheran Church or Israel Family Hospice House. Adams Funeral Home, Ames, handled arrangements.

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