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Lois Ethel Gearhart

May 15, 1908, to Dec. 27, 2001

Lois Ethel Gearhart, 93, of Waukon and formerly of Nevada, died Thursday, Dec. 27, at Good Samaritan Center in Waukon.

She was born May 15, 1908, in Eldora to Andrew and Augusta (Letto) Ruxton. She was baptized and confirmed at the Eldora Methodist Church, attended Eldora High School and graduated from Hamilton Business College. On Aug. 8, 1930, she married Glenn Otto Gearhart in Cascade. She worked many years as a bookkeeper for Iowa Electric Power Co. in Eldora. After living a short time in Marshalltown, they moved to Nevada in 1945. While there, she worked as a bookkeeper and clerk for Erickson's Furniture Store, in the city clerk's office and for various other local businesses, mostly as a bookkeeper. She stayed in Nevada until 1993, when she moved to Waukon. She was a member of the Nevada Methodist Church and enjoyed traveling with her husband to some of his work projects. She was a devout follower of her sons' activities and an avid Iowa Hawkeye fan. She loved spending time with her family and her pets.

Survivors include two sons, Richard (and Ann) of Waukon and Jack (and Helen) of Atlantic; seven grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband Glenn in 1973 and a granddaughter, Michelle Wells.

Graveside memorial services were held Saturday, Jan. 5, at Eldora Cemetery in Eldora with the Rev. Corey Larson officiating. Martin Funeral Home, Waukon, handled arrangements.

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