

HELEN KUCERA RECHTENBACH, 98

Helen Kucera Rechtenbach, 98, of Marshalltown, entered into eternal life Tuesday, July 8, 2008 at Villa Del Sol Health Care Center. Funeral services were held Friday, July 11th at the chapel of the Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory. Burial followed in Rose Hill Memorial Gardens. Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory handled the arrangements. Condolences may be sent to Helen's family at vogelfuneralhomes.com.

Helen was born on May 20, 1910, in Carroll Township in Tama County, the daughter of V.J. and Emily (Starits) Kucera. She grew up in the area of her birth and attended school in Tama before moving to Marshalltown and attending Central Iowa Business College. She was married to Jessie Coatney on May 2, 1931. Jessie died in 1941. In 1951, she married Ernest Rechtenbach and they shared 17 happy years before he passed away in 1968.

Helen was a member of the 60+ Band which entertained at many nursing homes in central Iowa and at the Waterloo Cattle Congress. The band won first place at the Iowa State Fair. She was a member of Loyal Order of Moose #71 and a former member of The Happy Hour Circle where she was treasurer for several years. Helen was active as a volunteer at the Senior Citizen Center for many years and her last employment was at Meekers Dry Cleaners.

She will be missed by her brother, Milo Kucera of Cedar Rapids; three grandchildren, Larry Weaver, Timothy Luther and Tina Luther, all of Marshalltown; nine great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

In eternal life, Helen joins her parents; her husbands; her daughter, Gloria Luther; her son, Jimmy L. Coatney; three sisters, Rose Dostal, Libby Trimble and Mayme Fisher; three brothers, Ed, Frank and Allen Kucera; and granddaughter, LeAnn Tompkins.

