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Evelyn May Lane

May 2, 1917, to Feb. 7, 2004

Evelyn May Lane, 86, of Maxwell, died Saturday, Feb. 7, at her home.

She was born May 2, 1917, at the family farm southwest of Kelley, the eldest daughter of Carl and Alice (Weeks) Torgerson. She attended school in Slater, Huxley, Ames and graduated from Kelley High School in May 1936. She was baptized and confirmed in the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Slater. She had attended church at the Maxwell Church of the Brethren the last 17 years. On Nov. 23, 1936, she married Lloyd Joseph Lane. To this union one daughter, Karen Kay, was born. Lloyd passed away Oct. 29, 1986, a month before their 50th wedding anniversary. They lived in Maxwell all their married life and were in the painting business for a number of years. She had worked at the Ordnance Plant in Ankeny during World War II. Since 1987, she had been the Maxwell news correspondent for the Tri-County Times and enjoyed talking to many people throughout those years getting their news.

Survivors include her daughter, Karen (and Lyle) Wheeler of Cambridge; a granddaughter, SueAnn Kay Wheeler of Westerville, Ohio; two sisters, Helen Denton of Slater and Mildred Green of Indianola; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; and a brother, Alvy "Stub" Torgerson.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Feb. 10, at the Bacon Funeral in Maxwell with the Rev. Harold Smith officiating. Interment was in the Peoria Cemetery near Maxwell. Bacon Funeral Home in Maxwell handled arrangements.