

Bette Speirs



Born: November 12, 1925

Died: November 22, 2004

Services will be held at: Following cremation at the Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory graveside memorial services will be held Saturday, December 4, 2004, at 10:30 A.M. at the Buckingham Cemetery North of Traer. In lieu of flowers memorials may be directed to the Hope United Methodist Church or to the Iowa River Hospice. Visitation times are: No visitation is scheduled at this time.

Bette was born on November 12, 1925 in Traer, Iowa, the daughter of Thomas and Ivah Heintzelman Lorenzen. She attended school in Traer, Iowa. She was united in marriage with James W. Speirs on May 14, 1946. They farmed together in the Gladbrook area for a number of years. Bette later returned to school to finish her education and received her L.P.N. from the Mercedian School of Practical Nursing in Marshalltown. She worked as a nurse at the Marshalltown Area Community Hospital for a number of years. Bette was involved in the various activities at the YMCA, the Arthritis Support Group, enjoyed reading, cross stitching and friends. Most of all Bette loved her family and grandchildren. Bette is survived by her son: Kent Thomas Speirs of Long Beach, California; two daughters: Sean Dixon of Chesapeake, Virginia, Susan (Jerry) Hardisty of Hillsborough, North Carolina, four grandchildren: Megan Hardisty, Lindsay (Hunter) Birckhead, Emily Hardisty and Jay Dixon as well as nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by: parents, husband and two sisters: Ruth Schrader and Edna Holst.