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Bessie Peterson

Born: 12/16/1917 Died: 3/1/2003

Services will be held at: NO services, viewing, or visitation are scheduled Visitation times are:

Bessie E. Peterson, 85, of 508 North 4th Avenue, Marshalltown, died Saturday, March 1, 2003 at the Grandview Heights Care Center in Marshalltown. Following cremation at Pursel-Davis Crematory, NO SERVICES, VIEWING, or VISITATION are scheduled. BURIAL of her cremated remains will be in Riverside Cemetery in Marshalltown. MEMORIALS may be directed to the Animal Rescue League.

Bessie was born December 16, 1917 in Lincoln, Nebraska, the daughter of Anton and Marie (Stahl) Votruba. Raised and educated in Marshalltown, she graduated from Marshalltown High School. On May 28, 1938, she married Ed Peterson in Bethany, Missouri. They lived in Winona, Minnesota and Rochelle, Illinois prior to returning to Marshalltown in 1967. She was a homemaker, served on the Library Board of Trustees, and was a member of the M.M.S.C. Auxillary. She is survived by her daughters: Sandra (Mrs. Horst) Pelikan of Brookfield, Wisconsin and Pamela (Mrs. Damian) Fennig of Oconomowoc, Wisconsin; sister: Elsie Lichty of Waterloo; brother: Jerry Votruba of Clemons; two granddaughters Libby Jordan and Jamie Fennig; two grandsons: Ed and Derrick Pelikan; and two great-grandchildren: Paige and Marin Pelikan. She is preceded in death by her parents, her husband in 1990, and her sister Sadie Trout.