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Marcella Riese

January 30, 1921 to May 25, 2005

Marcella Riese, 84, of the Glenwood Place in Marshalltown, longtime Colo area resident, died early Wednesday morning, May 25th, at the MMSC. Funeral services were held at May 29th at the St. John Lutheran Church north of State Center with Pastor David Steege officiating. She was laid to rest in the St. John Cemetery. There was no visitation on Saturday, so that family could attend the 25th anniversary celebration and banquet of the Clemons Lutheran School that Marcella so faithfully supported. The Mitchell Family Funeral Home (641-844-1234) is caring for Marcella and her family. For condolences, please visit www.mitchellfh.com.

Born Marcella Probst on January 30th, 1921, west of State Center, she was the daughter of William and Ida (Eckhart) Probst. She received her education in the area of her birth and graduated from the State Center High School before attending the AIB Business College.

On May 6th, 1945, she was united in marriage to Howard Riese at her parent's home in rural State Center. They farmed northeast of Colo. Mrs. Riese was a member of the St. John Lutheran Church, the Women's Outlook Club of Colo (WO Club), the ladies aid of the church and several area quilting clubs.

A woman of strong faith, Marcella enjoyed quilting, the Iowa State Cyclones, farming and gardening. Most of all, she cherished her family and time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Surviving are her children: David (Amy) Riese of Rochester, New York, Barbara Hilleman of State Center, Richard (Sandra) Riese of Waukon, Iowa, James Riese of Zearing, Lynne (Larry) Pfantz of State Center and Mary (Rev. Edward) Schmidt of Rifle, Colorado, 22 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and two sisters: Gladys Conrad and Shirley (Richard) Southard all of Marshalltown.

In death she has rejoined her parents, her husband, granddaughter Lisa and brother Richard.