



Leona B. Carlson

September 18, 1908 - February 25, 2007

Leona B. Carlson, 98, of W7447 East Lamartine Drive, Lamartine, died peacefully at home, on Sunday, February 25, 2007. She was born on September 18, 1908, in Taycheedah, Wisconsin, a daughter of William J. and Minnie A. Roeder Oelke. She graduated from Fond du Lac Business College. On September 3, 1938, she married Ivar Carlson in Lake Forest, Illinois. They lived in Lake Forest, where her husband was a gardener and chauffeur. In 1950, they began farming in the Lamartine area. Leona worked as a cook at Rolling Meadows Nursing Home for over 20 years. She enjoyed fishing, gardening, mowing the lawn, cooking, bowling, golf, her children and family gatherings. Leona was a member of Redeemer Lutheran Church, Fond du Lac. She is survived by three daughters: Nancy (Robert) Gralapp of New London, Helen (Richard) Baumhardt of Fond du Lac, Betty (Donald) Schoepke of Fond du Lac; nine grandchildren: Dale (Lois) Gralapp of Kaukauna, Jayne (Joe) Buchinger of Greenville, Susan (Jeff) Weyenburg of New London, Randy (Chrisy) Gralapp of Darboy, Joel (Amy) Schoepke of Eldorado, Sheila (Glenn) Cederholm of Fond du Lac, Kristin Schoepke of Onalaska, Mark Baumhardt of Fond du Lac, Michelle (Russ) Boodry of Fond du Lac; 16 great-grandchildren; 1 great-great-granddaughter; a sister: Esther Makovec of Lamartine; a sister-in-law: Agnes Oelke of Fond du Lac, a brother-in-law: John Winslow of Madison; nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Ivar, on June 22, 1990; two brothers: Harold Oelke and Lawrence Oelke; three sisters: Ruth Oelke, Doris Winslow, and Margaret (Louis) Strong; and a brother-in-law, John Makovec. The funeral service will be at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 3, 2007, at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 606 Forest Avenue, Fond du Lac, with Rev. Fred Toppe officiating. Burial will be at 2:00 p.m. in Lamartine Cemetery. The visitation will be on Saturday at church from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service. Memorials may be directed to Redeemer Lutheran Church.

Tribute Wall

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