



Helen Louise Fitzgerald

December 30, 1925 - August 6, 2006

Ottumwa Regional Health Center in Ottumwa, IA

Visitation: Open after 10:00 O'clock a.m. with family greeting friends between the hours of 6:00 and 8:00 p.m. August 08, 2006 at Fremont Funeral Chapel

Funeral Service: 10:30 a.m. August 09, 2006 at Fremont Funeral Chapel

Interment: Mt. Zion Cemetery near Martinsburg

Helen was born December 30, 1925 in rural Farson, Iowa the daughter of Adrian and Gleda Grissom Riley. She was raised in rural Farson and attended the Farson School. After completing 8th grade she worked on the family farm for several years until meeting Darwin Fitzgerald. Helen and Darwin were united in marriage January 4th, 1946 and settled in Hedrick.

During her life Helen worked for Spilman Grocery in Hedrick, sold Avon, Betty Gay Dress Shop in Ottumwa, and as a nurse's aide at the Good Samaritan

Center, St. Joseph Hospital, and the Ottumwa Regional Health Center.

Helen's memory is honored by her daughter, Virginia Sherwood and husband Don of Martinsburg, a brother, Larry Riley and wife Janet of Cedar, a sister, Dorothy Thompson of Oskaloosa, two grandsons, D.J. and Doug Sherwood, and five great-grandchildren, Heather Patton, Jackie, Ginny, Preston and Parker Sherwood. She was preceded in death by her grandparents, parents, her husband, and three brothers, Melvin, Loyd, and Adrian Earl Riley.

Her enjoyments included embroidery, camping, visiting, blue grass festivals, and attending her grandchildren's sporting events. Helen was a member of the Hedrick Christian Church.

Memorials may be made in her name.