



Retha M. Rhodes

December 1, 1914 - June 26, 2004

Ottumwa, Iowa

Visitation: Open after 10:00 A.M. family present between the hours of 6:00 & 8:00 P.M.
June 28, 2004 at Fremont Funeral Chapel

Funeral Service: 10:30 A.M. June 29, 2004 at Fremont Funeral Chapel

Retha Mae Rhodes was born on December 1st, 1914 in Davis City, Iowa, the daughter of Willard and Mary Ann Henderson Lovell. She attended school in Davis City and Fairfield before settling in Ollie.

On November 24th, 1934, Retha was united in marriage to John Laurence Rhodes in Watertown, South Dakota. She was homemaker and farmer for most of her life. To her this included bookkeeping, cooking, seamstress, farmhand and most importantly a mother. Retha enjoyed quilting, gardening and crocheting.

Her memory is honored by her son, Jerry Rhodes and wife Margie of Liberal, MO; her daughter, Joann Hersh and husband Len of Ollie; a daughter-in-law, Jean Rhodes of Nauvoo, IL; her grandchildren-Marty & Carol Hersh, Greg Hersh, David Rhodes, Kim Rhodes Mapes and Terry Mapes, Melissa Rhodes Davied and Rick Davied, Mike & Julee Rhodes, Kindra Rhodes & Dustin Rhodes; her great-grandchildren, Carrie Hersh, Jeffrey & Ashlee Davied, Troy, Corissa and Krystal Mapes and Danielle Rhodes. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband in June of 1998; a son, John Richard

Rhodes in January of 1999; and two sisters, Martha Johnson and Georgia Hay.