



## Alma Doorley

Alma was born September 28, 1917, in Carroll, Iowa, the daughter of Joseph and Catherine (Ocken) Bruening. She moved to Waterloo in 1940 and was employed at the old St. Francis Hospital and later during World War II at Rath Packing Co. During this time she met many of her life long friends. On June 17, 1947, she was united in marriage to Stephen E. Doorley in Maple River, IA. He died March 21, 1973. They moved to the Doorley family farm in 1950 and continued to farm until Stephen's death. She continued to live on the farm and enjoyed the country, people, music, dancing and playing the accordion. She was a member of St. Mary's Altar Society and had a special devotion to the Sacred Heart and the Blessed Mother.

Alma is survived by her son, James Doorley of Iowa City; daughter, Jean Doorley of Hudson, five sisters, Dorothy Rutten and Isabella, both of Carroll, Mary Hartquist and Phyllis (Francis) Etringer, all of Omaha, NE and Sister Marguerite Bruening of LaCrosse, WI and brother, Brother Michael Bruening O.S.F. of Eureka, MO.

Alma died Friday, July 18, 2003, at Covenant Medical Center in Waterloo. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, and brothers, Rev Paul Bruening, Wilbur Bruening and Anthony Bruening.