



Leona Schmitt

December 21, 1921 - May 12, 2006

Leona was born December 21, 1921, in Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin, the daughter of Herman and Helena (Pagl) Kohler. She graduated from Floyd High School. On April 19, 1942, she was united in marriage to Kenneth R. Simmons in Princeton, MO. He died October 20, 1973. She then married Casper B. Schmitt December 26, 1981 in Cedar Falls. He died May 31, 2005. She was employed at the John Deere Waterloo Tractor Works as shop clerk for 24 years, retiring in 1981.

Leona is survived by her daughter, Pamela J. (Jack) Kopnick of Cedar Falls; three grandchildren, Kimberly A. Szymanski of Gurnee, IL, Jeremy K. Simmons of Olathe, KS, and Heather L. Kopnick of Chicago, IL; great grandchildren, Abby Simmons and Alexis Szymanski; and sisters, Arlene E. Drewlou of New Hampton and Evalyn A. Rosenau of Waverly.

Leona died Friday, May 12, 2006, at the Cedar Valley Hospice Home in Waterloo. She was preceded in death by her parents; husbands; sons, Ronald L. Simmons and Gregory K. Simmons; grandson, Shane K. Simmons; twin great grandsons, Maddoux and Kenneth Szymanski; and brother, Harry Kohler.