



Mildred Benson

March 4, 1925 - February 25, 2007

Mildred was born March 4, 1925, in Ridgeway, Iowa, the daughter of Theodore and Martha Aberg Gunderson.

She was united in marriage to Elmer Benson on September 11, 1945, in Waterloo, Iowa.

Mildred was employed as a clerk at S.S. Kresge's Dimestore and later Woolworths, both in Waterloo and Woolco in Cedar Falls. She and her husband also owned and operated the Travel Tel Motel in Waverly and the Rainbow Motel in Cedar Falls.

Mildred is survived by her husband of Cedar Falls; daughter, Patty Fratzke of Reno, Nevada; son, Ronald Benson of Sherrard, Illinois; eight grandchildren, Todd, Sloan, Scottie Ben (Terri), Nicholas, and Tangee Benson, and Jacob, Mark, and Tiffani Fratzke; five great grandchildren, Victoria and Brittany Benson, Michael and Mackenzie Benson, and Kelly Johnson; and neices and nephews, Francis Lybbert, Sharon Gunhus, Dean Fischer, Susie George, and Diane and David Gunderson.

Mildred died Sunday, February 25, 2007, at Sartori Memorial Hospital in Cedar Falls.

She was preceded in death by a son, Michael Benson; seven brothers, Art, Roger, Floyd, Lloyd, Gerald, Oscar and Arlis Gunderson; and three sisters, Marjorie Fischer, Grace Slock, and Inis Gunderson.

Tribute Wall



“ *Patty,*

Please accept my deepest sympathy on the loss of your mother. I saw her obituary when I was reading the on-line edition of the Courier. Losing a mother is very hard, but I am sure you have a lot of very pleasant memories. My Mother died in December, 2005, and I think of her often. The pain of losing her has subsided as I try to remember the fun things and I know she is in a better place. I will try to catch up with you. Take care, Craig

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