



## Mabel Ver Ploeg

December 12, 1914 - October 27, 2006

Mabel Ver Ploeg: Mabel passed away early Friday morning at home at the age of 91 years, 10 months and 15 days.

Mable is survived by her daughters and their husbands: Sally & Jack Henderson of Drakesville, IA and Kathleen & Tom Idczak of Rio Verde, AZ; her grandchildren & their spouses: Rex & Alice Critchlow of Oskaloosa; Rick Critchlow of Ottumwa, IA; Jodi & Gene Galloway of Delaware, OH; and J.P. & Marissa Patchett of Gilbert, AZ; and seven great grandchildren: Robin, Brittney & Kale Critchlow; Haylie & Lauren Galloway; and D.J. & Jared Patchett; three sisters: Vera Durham of Simi Valley, CA; Arlene (Glen) Thatcher of What Cheer, IA and Delores (Bill) Goodman of Rose Hill, IA; a brother, Harold LaForce of West Covina, CA; a sister-in-law, Gladys France of Oskaloosa and several nieces & nephews.

Mabel Ver Ploeg, daughter of John and Ella McFall LaForce, was born December 12, 1914, at the rural home of her parents in Mahaska County. She attended country school through the eighth grade and later attained her G.E.D. She married Cecil Henry Ver Ploeg on November 24, 1937, in Kirksville, Missouri. They began their life together, farming in Jefferson Township in Mahaska County, where they remained their entire married life and Mabel stayed until her death. Mabel assisted Cecil in the farming operation; she particularly enjoyed raising cattle. In the early 1950s she began

driving a school bus for Jefferson Township; she drove for over 30 years, retiring in the 1980's. Mabel was a member of the First Christian Church in Oskaloosa, where she was a member of the Go-Getters Sunday School Class, the Esther Circle and was one of the first members of the quilting group. She was also a member of the Coal Creek Ladies Aid, the Ideal Club and she held a variety of offices in the D.A.R.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband; a grandson, Robin L. Critchlow ; three sisters and three brothers.

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mabel Ver Ploeg*

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