

Dolores F. Backhaus, 71

April 8, 1923 - Feb. 8, 1995

Mesa, AZ - Dolores, daughter of Harry and Louise Nulle Stoelk, was born April 8, 1923 in Carroll County. She attended rural schools near her home and graduated from Manilla High School in 1940. She worked in the office of the lumber yard in Manilla and worked as a cook at the Manning hospital.

Sept. 12, 1943 she married Wallace "Bud" Backhaus at the Lutheran Church in Manilla. Four children were born to this union. They farmed all their lives near Manilla. In 1974 they moved to Denison, returning to Manilla four years later. After their return to Manilla she worked as an attendant at the Ohde Funeral Home there for ten years until they moved to AZ in 1992. she died suddenly and unexpectedly Feb. 8, 1995 at Valley Lutheran Hospital, Mesa, AZ at age 71 years and 10 months.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one nephew, Curtis Stoelk. survivors include her husband, Wallace "Bud" Backhaus, of Mesa, AZ; four children: Doug Backhaus (Marilyn) of Manilla; Carolyn (James) Humrich of Ballwin, MO; Kitty (Randall) Finken of Omaha, NE; and Barbara (Dean) Marks of Mesa, AZ; 12 grandchildren, one great-grandchild; a brother, Lester Stoelk (Eleanor) of Portland, OR; a niece, Cindy Tedmus, of San Francisco, CA and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Feb. 14, 1995 at the Ohde Funeral Home with Rev. Kenneth Ritchie, United Church of Manilla officiating. Burial was in the Nishnabotna cemetery, Manilla. Honorary casket bearers were: Heather Humrich, Sara Backhaus, Jamie Backhaus, Steven Marks, Aaron Marks and Daniel Marks. Casket bearers were: Todd Backhaus, David Backhaus, Scott Backhaus, Brian Finken, Kevin Finken and Jason Humrich. Ohde Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.