

**Violet Brehmer, 94**

July 6, 1915 - Jan. 25, 2010

**BRAYTON** — Violet Leona Brehmer was born on July 6, 1915 to Hans and Anna (Larsen) Hansen on a farm near Brayton. She attended country school through elementary years and then went to Oakfield Academy near Brayton.

She worked as a hired girl for many families before being united in marriage to Lester Brehmer on September 3, 1939 in the Walnut Peace Church parsonage. Two sons were born to this union: Delbert and Gerald. Lester and Violet rented farms in Shelby and Pottawattamie Counties before buying farms in those counties. They took many trips together including flying to Morocco with friends. They also took many bus trips. Violet and Lester were avid dancers and enjoyed dancing and socializing with many friends throughout Southwest Iowa. Violet loved to quilt and knit. She was active in several card clubs around the Walnut area as well as active in the Church Women's Fellowship, Bible study, Altar Guild, and the church quilting group. After Lester moved into the nursing home in 2001, Violet continued to be a dedicated caregiver as she drove to Atlantic daily. She continued her loving care by sitting, reading, and assisting him daily while keeping him comfortable. Violet moved to Peace Haven in July of 2003. She took part in many of the social activities while there and was extremely proud of being a member of the 90's club. Due to a massive stroke, Violet died on Monday, January 25, 2010 at the Risen Son Christian Village in Council Bluffs, while on Hospice care after hip surgery. She attained the age of ninety-four years, six months, and nineteen days.

In addition to her parents, Violet was preceded in death by her husband Lester, her son Gerald, and her three brothers and one sister. She is survived by her son Delbert Brehmer and his wife Judy of Council Bluffs; grandsons Jay Brehmer and his wife Carol of Overland Park, KS and Jeff Brehmer and his wife Suzi of Carter Lake; five great-grandchildren with another one to arrive shortly; other family members and friends.

Pastor Gail Muckey officiated the 10:30 AM funeral service on Friday, January 29, 2010, at the Peace United Church of Christ in Walnut. Honorary casket bearers were Justin Brehmer, Jordan Ashley Brehmer, Grant Brehmer, Bai-



ley Shaw, and Jordan Michael Shaw. Serving as casket bearers were Jeffrey Brehmer, Jay Brehmer, Don Jensen, Mel Gross, Jerry Hansen, and Larry Kay. Interment was held at the Layton Township Cemetery in Walnut.

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