

Helen Kracht, 89

June 2, 1915 - June 2, 2004

DENISON – Helen Evelyn Kracht was born June 2, 1915, the daughter of Herman and Minnie Amanda Blunk Boeck, near Manilla. She was baptized Oct. 9, 1916, at Zion Lutheran Church, Denison and also confirmed at Zion Jan. 15, 1935. She received her education at the Denison Community Schools, graduating from the Denison High School with the class of 1932.

March 26, 1932, Helen married Orval (Sam) Kracht at Elk Point, SD. The couple made their home in East Boyer Township for a few years before moving to Denison. The couple were blessed with the birth of six children. She was a member of Zion Lutheran Church in Denison and a charter member of their Dorcas Society. Helen was instrumental in starting the first group for the visually impaired in the Denison area. She died June 2, 2004, at the Denison Care Center at age 89.

Helen was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Sam, in 1992; one son, Richard; one great-granddaughter, Jennifer Wulf; and five brothers, Ralph in infancy, Robert, Jack, Oliver and Ben Boeck. Survivors include one son, Stan Kracht of Denison; four daughters, Peggy Magden (Jim) of Venice, FL; Roberta Borkowski (Gene) of Irwin; Sandra Brownlee (Jerry) of Ida Grove; Marsha Kracht of Denison; 13 grandchildren; 31 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandson; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held June 7, 2004, at the Zion Lutheran Church in Denison, with Rev. Kurt Kaiser and Rev. David Sewing officiating. Burial was in the Crawford Heights Memory Gardens, Garden of Gethsemane in Denison. Casketbearers were Steven Borkowski, Kevin Borkowski, Wayne Magden, Sheryl Hopkins, Rod Brownlee, Susan Thraen, Treva Bassett, David Borkowski, Jim Magden, Jr., Joel Brownlee, Terry Magden, Valerie Finley, Tom Finley and Kathy Pals. Walter A. Huebner Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.