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Ruth Evelyn Mork, 73

April 15, 1923 - Oct. 13, 1996

MANNING - Ruth, daughter of Walter and Anna Evans Davis, was born April 15, 1923, in Menlo. Upon graduating from Menlo High School in 1940, she attended and completed beauty school in Des Moines.

Ruth and James R. Mork were married Sept. 5, 1948, at the Methodist Church in Menlo. They moved to Manning in 1958, where she worked as secretary at the United Methodist Church and then the Manning School District, beginning in 1965. She retired as superintendent's secretary and school board secretary in 1993, after 27 1/2 years. She was a long time member of the Manning United Methodist Church and an active member of United Methodist Women. She was currently serving as Sioux City District Secretary for the United Methodist Women, was a member of P.E.O. Chapter IS and assisted as a 4-H leader for a number of years. She died of a pulmonary embolism Oct. 13, 1996, while she and her husband, James, were visiting their son, Lynn, in Berlin, WI at age 73.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a brother, Russell Davis, and a sister, Laura Dickson. Survivors include her husband, James Mork of Manning; a daughter, Denise (Gordon) Smith of Indianola; a son, Lynn Mork (Pam) of Berlin, WI; four grandchildren; two sisters, Marion Fritz of Rippey, and Dorothy Stemm of Mt. Home, AR; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Oct. 19, 1996, at the United Methodist Church, Manning, with Rev. Larry McAlpine officiating. Eulogy was by Rev. Lester Moore. Ohde Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.