

## Janet Stam, 78

*March 9, 1920 - March 1, 1999*

**KNOXVILLE** - Janet Mae Stam was born March 9, 1920, in Coon Rapids, the daughter of John and Nettie Pille Stangl. She was raised in Coon Rapids, and attended school there. She worked as a teacher's aid.

She married Wilfred Gaul. The couple made their home in Holly, MI. Wilfred died in 1945, and Janet moved to Dedham. In 1974 she married Robert McDonald, and they lived in Irwin. In 1961 they moved to Manning for three years and then to Storm Lake. Bob died in 1974 and she moved to Knoxville. She married Frank Stam June 3, 1977. The couple lived in Boise, ID from 1983 until they returned to Knoxville in 1998. She died March 1, 1999, at her home at age 78 years, 11 months and 20 days.

In addition to her parents and two husbands, she was preceded in death by ten siblings, Al Neihaus, Stub Stangl, Clark Stangl, Spike Stangl, Isabelle MacDonald, Caroline Smith, Lewis Stangl, Fat Stangl, Casey Stangl and Bill Stangl, and one grandson, Kevin Gross. She is survived by her husband, Frank Stam; four sons, Denny Gaul of Highlands Ranch, CO; Gary Gaul of Edmond, OK; Dale McDonald of Denver, CO and John McDonald of Perris, CA; one daughter, Sue Gross of Westphalia; stepson, Carl Stam of Clive; two sisters, Alice Claire Broude of Los Angeles; Mary Kay Mendez of Holly, MI; two brothers, Pat Stangl of Ottumwa and Barney Stangl of Knoxville; 18 grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held March 5, 1999, at the Bybee & Davis Funeral Home, Knoxville, with Rev. Thomas Parlette officiating. Burial was in the Oak Hill Cemetery, Irwin, with Rev. Ken Gross celebrant. Casket bearers were Adam Gaul, Neil Stangl, Matthew Gross, Brian Gross, Steve Stangl and Eric Schnoebelen.