

Ruby Thomsen, 77

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AVOCA — Ruby Thomsen, one of two persons severely burned in an Aug. 26 explosion in Tennant, died Thursday night (Sept. 1) at St. Joseph's Hospital, Omaha.

Mrs. Thomsen, 77, and her husband Warner, 80, were burned when a gas hot-water heater exploded as Thomsen attempted to light it. Both suffered second- and third-degree burns, Thomsen to 60 percent of his body and Mrs. Thomsen, to 80 percent of her body.

Thomsen remains hospitalized at St. Joseph's in Omaha.

Funeral services for Mrs. Thomsen were pending Friday morning at Berthusen-Knutson Funeral Home in Avoca.
