

Icelene R. Ewoldt, 69

MANILLA - Icelene R. Ewoldt, known to friends as "Ike", daughter of Ralph and Hattie Meyers Elwell, was born Feb. 26, 1919 in Astor in Crawford county and died March 23, 1988 at Jennie Edmundson Memorial Hospital in Co. Bluffs, at age 69 years and 27 days. She was baptized at the Methodist Church in Manilla and attended school in Manilla graduating with the High School Class of 1936. She then taught country school for several years.

In 1939, she married Alfred Walter in Manilla. She was employed as a cook for the Manilla Schools. Alfred died on Aug. 18, 1959. She continued as a cook until she married Ralph Ewoldt in 1962. They farmed near Manilla until Ralph's death in 1971. She moved to Audubon, and cooked at McCort's Restaurant for a short time. She was employed by the Friendship Home in Audubon as a cook for several years before becoming the Dietary Supervisor at the Home where she served in that capacity until she retired in 1986. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Audubon; a member of the Rebekah Lodge No. 459 and Federated Women's Club in Audubon and belonged to many clubs.

She was preceded in death in addition to her husbands; her parents; an infant sister, Rose Marie Elwell and infant brother, Ralph Elwell, Jr. She is survived by her children, David of Harlan; and Ilene (Mrs Dennis) Jacoby of Denison; four grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; one brother and three sisters, Charles Elwell of Charter Oak; Ruby (Mrs Les) Brue of Audubon; Ruth (Mrs Lyle) Elsberry of Devils Lake, ND; Doris (Mrs Jim) Hauser of Mason City; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Harvey G. Quandt on March 25, 1988 at the First United Methodist Church in Audubon. Burial was in the Iowa Township cemetery near Manning with Rick Walter, David Dotzler, Troy Groth, Wayne Elwell, Todd Hauser and Richard Brue as casket bearers. Kessler Funeral Home in Audubon was in charge of arrangements.