

✓ **Irma Mae Groat, 76**

Oct. 6, 1920 - April 5, 1997

AMES - Irma Mae Groat was born Oct. 6, 1920, to Kalmer and Kirsten (Ellingson) Knudson at Irwin. She graduated from Irwin High School in 1938.

She married Marvin G. Groat March 31, 1940, in Irwin. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Mary Greeley Auxiliary and was an avid gardener. She worked as a cake decorator for many years for Hy-Vee and later from her own home. She died April 5, 1997, at the Mary Greeley Medical Center in Ames at age 76, from a sudden massive stroke.

She was preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by her husband, Marvin G. Groat, Ames; son, Gary L. Groat, Ames; daughter, Connie Bartmess, Albuquerque, NM; four grandsons, David and Doug McCullough and Steve and Scott Groat; one great grandson, David Nathaniel Cotinola; one great granddaughter, Lauren Taylor McCullough; two brothers, Gailord and Kenneth Knudson both of Irwin; two sisters, Edna and Ruth Drake both of Co. Bluffs.

Funeral services were held April 8, 1997, at the Adams Funeral Home in Ames, with the Rev. Larry LaVelle officiating. Inurnment was in the Oak Hill Cemetery in Irwin. Adams Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.
