

## **CLARKE, KATHRYN MAE**

### Birth

April 24, 1912 in Des Moines,  
Polk Co., Iowa



### Death

July 17, 1990 at Crown Colony,  
Lamoni, Decatur Co., Iowa

### Cause of Death

Heart attack

### Cemetery Lot

Buried in Row 3, space 9 of the New Addition

### Maiden Name

Houke

### Father

William Ellsworth Houk was born in January 1869 and died February 9, 1935 in Minnesota. He was buried at Ames, Iowa

### Mother

Leta FernLesan was born September 13, 1893 and died February 24, 1920. She was buried in Rose Hill Cemetery at Mount Ayr, Ringgold Co., Iowa

### Marriage

Kathryn M. Houke to Henry Fred Clarke on August 4, 1934

Return of Marriage to Clerk of District Court  
Mount Ayr, Ringgold Co., Iowa

Henry F. Clarke  
Residence: Warren Co., Iowa  
Occupation: Farmer  
Age next birthday: 29  
Place of birth: Warren Co., Iowa

Father's name: George Clarke  
Mother's name: Bessie Jane Kirk

Marriage  
August 4, 1934 at Redding, Ringgold Co., Iowa

Kathryn M. Houk  
Residence: Ringgold Co., Iowa  
Age next birthday: 23  
Place of birth: Des Moines, Iowa  
Father's name: W. E. Houk  
Mother's name: Fern Lesan  
Witnesses: Harold Mekemson and Kareta Mekemson  
Minister; W. H. Warrion, Blockton, Iowa

### Census

1915 –

1920 – Minneapolis, Ward 3, Hennepin Co., MN; ED 49; Page 8A; January 10, 1920  
Dwelling 135; Family 191

Houk, William E.	40	MN	IA	Poland
Leda F.	46	IA	IA	IL
<b>Kathryn M.</b>	<b>07</b>	<b>IA</b>	<b>MN</b>	<b>IA</b>
James A.	14	IA	MN	IA

1925 –

1930 - Clinton Twp., Ringgold Co., IA; ED6; Page 4A; Line 29; April 14, 1925  
Dwelling 75; Family 75

Shafer, Robert W.	64	VA	VA	VA
Jessie	57	IL	ENG	ENG
Olin A.	24	IA	VA	IL
Marjorie	22	VT	NH	NH
<b>Howk, Kathryn</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>IA</b>	<b>US</b>	<b>US</b>
				<b>lodger</b>

1940 – Linn Twp., Warren Co., IA; ED91-19; Page 2B; April 5-6, 1940  
#37 – rent home; value of home \$10; same house as in 1935

Clarke, Henry F.	34	farmer	IA
<b>Catherine M.</b>	<b>28</b>		<b>IA</b>
Janice D.	04		IA
James Paul	00 11/12		IA
Clarke, George Paul	44	brother – farmer	IA

### Funeral Home

Galloway-McLaren's Funeral Home

Obituary

[The Des Moines Register, Thursday, July 19, 1990, Page 5M]

Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Norwalk Christian Church for Katherine M. Houke Clarke of Lamoni. Burial will be in PleasantRidgeCemetery at Orilla. Mrs. Clarke, 78, died of a heart attack Tuesday at Crown Colony, where she was a resident.

Born in Des Moines, she later lived in Norwalk for 49 years until moving to Lamoni in the mid-1980's. She had been a homemaker and was a member of the Christian Church and Warren County Historical Society. She was a past worthy matron of Order of the Eastern Star.

Surviving are her husband, Henry; a daughter, Janice Clarke of Ankeny; two sons, Jody and Jim, both of Norwalk; nine grandchildren; seven step-grandchildren; and eight step-great-grandchildren.

Friends may call from 5 to 9 p.m. today at Galloway-McLaren's Funeral Home in Norwalk. Memorial contributions may be made to her church.

[The Des Moines Register, Friday, July 20, 1990, page 7M]

Services for Kathryn M. Houke Clarke, 78, of Lamoni, who died of a heart attack here Tuesday, will be at 10 a.m. today at the Christian Church in Norwalk, where she moved after being raised in Redding. A daughter, Janice Stemler of Ankeny, was mis-identified in a previous obituary, and Mrs. Clarke's name was incorrect.