

Winona Iona Rowedder, 74

April 24, 1926 – Sept. 9, 2000

MANNING – Winona Iona, daughter of Ida A. Ress Jochimsen and stepdaughter of Herman Jochimsen, was born April 24, 1926, on a farm near Manilla. She was baptized May 23, 1926, and confirmed March 17, 1940, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Manilla. Winona graduated from Manilla High School after which she attended Commercial Extension, a business college in Omaha. Then she started working in Omaha at Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

Jan. 13, 1946, she married LeRoy W. Rowedder at Trinity Lutheran Church in Manilla. He was home on furlough and then left for duty overseas so Winona continued to work for Blue Cross/Blue Shield until his discharge. In 1948, they started farming on various farms in the Manning and Odebolt areas. They were blessed with the birth of two children. In 1971, they discontinued farming and moved to Aspinwall and then Manning where she started working at the Manning Monitor as bookkeeper and receptionist for 20 years. She was a member of Zion Lutheran Church in Manning, Ladies Guild and a quilting group. Her health began to fail in January of 2000. She was able to remain at home with the care of her husband until May 23, 2000, when she became a resident of the Manning Plaza. When her health took a turn for the worse she entered Manning Regional Healthcare Center where she died Sept. 9, 2000, at age 74 years, 4 months and 16 days.

She was preceded in death by her mother and stepfather. She is survived by her husband, LeRoy Rowedder of Manning; daughter, Linda (Joe) Stroehrer of Elk Horn; son, Douglas Rowedder (Lola) of Denison; four grandchildren, Derek Rowedder and Lacey Rowedder, both of Denison; Jeremy Kuhn (Karen) of Des Moines; and Jessi (Tim) Wagoner of Ames; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Sept. 12, 2000, at the Zion Lutheran Church, Manning, with Pastor Daniel Vogel and Pastor Curt Dwyer officiating. Burial was in the Manning Cemetery. Casket bearers were Paul Ehlers, Amos Asmus, Wilmer Ehrichs, Ivan Rowedder, Vernon Larsen and Russell Mohr. Ohde Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.