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Dorothy Sorensen, 82

March 3, 1922 - March 29, 2004

WEST BRANCH – Dorothy M. Sorensen was born March 3, 1922, in Harlan, the daughter of Percy and Hazel (Dewey) Blair.

She married Herbert S. Sorensen Jan. 18, 1941, and the couple lived together in West Branch all of their married lives. Dorothy was a 50-year member of the West Branch American Legion Auxiliary. She died March 29, 2004, at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics surrounded by her family following a lengthy battle with cancer at age 82.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents and her husband. Survivors include her children, Spencer (Marsha) and their children, Stephanie and Angela, all of California; Linda Kessler of Iowa City and her children, Lisa Kessler, and her friend Todd Boswell and her friend of Iowa City; Amy Lynch (Larry) and Mike Kessler, all of West Branch; Cindy Sorensen and her children, Jesse and Bryce of Colorado; Don and his longtime partner, Suzy, and his son, Johnny, all of Davenport; and his stepchildren, Amber and Mike; five great-grandchildren, Tessa and Garrett Lynch and Joey, Brittney and Alex Kessler; her two sisters, Arletha Hockett (Jim) and Lois Schmidt (Duane); and her brother, Bob Blair (Lois); nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A private memorial service will be held at a later date.