

Stenbrotten, Beatrice M.

Monticello - Beatrice M. Stenbrotten, age 80, a long time Monticello resident, passed away on Saturday, Feb. 26, 2005, at the New Glarus Home.

Bea was born on Dec. 3, 1924, the only child of Leon A. and Emma (Zimmerman) Voegeli. She graduated from Monticello High School and Green County Normal Teachers College. Prior to her marriage, Beatrice taught school at the Elmer, Jug Prairie, and Legler Country schools. On June 26, 1946, she was united in marriage to John Stenbrotten at the Zwingli United Church of Christ, Monticello. They farmed for seven years and in 1954 they moved to Monticello, where her husband, John, joined Voegeli



Chevrolet-Buick. Bea enjoyed being a homemaker, raising her family, walking, reading, and was an avid sports fan cheering for her grandsons, Craig and Eric. She loved to travel with her husband and attend auto shows and conventions which included numerous trips to Europe. She especially enjoyed her trips to Norway, where she got to meet and know many of John's relatives. She was a member of Zwingli United Church of Christ and its Women's Guild. Bea held numerous offices in the Eastern Star chapters at both Monticello and New Glarus and was currently a member of the St. Omar's Chapter, Monroe.

Survivors include her husband, John Stenbrotten of Monticello; four sons, Jim Stenbrotten of Madison, Jack (Sally) Stenbrotten, Steve (friend, Cindy Cory) Stenbrotten, and Dan (Mary) Stenbrotten, all of Monticello; two grandsons, Craig and Eric Stenbrotten; two step-granddaughters, Nikki Pederson and Shelley Cisewski; a sister-in-law, Ruth Duerst; and a brother-in-law, Don (Lila) Stenbrotten.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a daughter, Deanne Stenbrotten; and brothers-in-law, Olin Stenbrotten and Paul Duerst.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, March 2, 2005, at 11 a.m., at the ZWINGLI UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, Monticello, with the Rev. Lawrence Balleine officiating. Interment will be, in Highland Cemetery, Monticello.

Friends may call on Tuesday, March 1, 2005, from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. at the VOEGELINEWCOMER FUNERAL HOME, Monticello, and at the church on Wednesday from 10 a.m. until the time of service. In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund will be established in Beatrice's name.