



## Dorothy M. Harper

December 6, 1919 - March 26, 2017

Dorothy M. Harper, 97, of Hampton, passed away Sunday, March 26, 2017, at the Franklin Country View Nursing Facility in Hampton, Iowa. She was born in her parent's home in rural Geneva on December 6, 1919. She attended grade and high school in Geneva, graduating with the class of 1937. She was a member of the Geneva Girls basketball team, playing both offense and defense, and remained an avid basketball fan, travelling to Des Moines many times to attend the State Girls Basketball tournaments. She married Kenneth Harper of Hansell on December 11, 1937 and they lived on the family farm by Hansell all their married life. Dorothy was a member of the Hansell Methodist Church and was actively involved with the Methodist Womens Group, as well as taking on the role of Church Treasurer for many years. She was the Chairman of the Hansell Centennial Committee, as well as volunteering with many community activities, including the Senior Community Meals program. She enjoyed travelling with Kenneth in their motorhome, and also abroad to Ireland, Scotland, Australia and New Zealand. She loved gardening, especially her flowers, and collecting antique glassware and china. In her spare time, she wrote poetry, created beautiful embroidery, quilted, and made many other craft items which she shared with her family. She is survived by her children, Beverly Miller of Laguna Woods, California and Kenneth Harper, Jr. (Tim), and Diane Harper of Pickerington, Ohio, as well as 6 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren and one great, great granddaughter. She was preceded in death by her husband (Kenneth), her parents Henry and Frieda

Siems, 5 sisters, one son-in-law, Garry, and 2 great grandsons. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Hospice of North Iowa or the Alzheimer Association.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dorothy M. Harper*

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**Arlene Crawford** - March 28, 2017 at 12:49 PM