

## Obituary

Naomi Ellen Spencer, daughter of Alex Ander and Alice Ernestine (Jones) Masterson, was born on November 15, 1911, in Shenandoah, Iowa, and passed away at Garden View Care Center on October 7, 2002. She was 90 years of age. Naomi lived in Shenandoah all her life. She received her formal education from St. Mary's Catholic School. Before her marriage she worked at Henry Fields' offices. On December 23, 1930, Naomi was united in marriage to Guy Spencer in Clarinda, Iowa and to this union two children were born, Charles and Ina Rhea. In 1933 she and Guy managed the Candy Dept. at the Henry Field's Store. In 1937, they opened Spencer's Sweet Shop (an ice cream and lunch business) where Barclay's Western Store is now. In 1950, they sold the Sweet Shop and opened Spencer's Ice Cream on the corner of Sheridan and Burnett. They added the grocery side of the business in 1952. In 1974, she sold the business to her son and retired. She was a member of the Shenandoah Congregational U. C. C. Church and S. C. O. R. E. Naomi loved spending time with her family. Community involvement was very important to her as well. In her spare time she enjoyed being involved in S. C. O. R. E. (Service Core of Retired Executives), crocheting and playing the piano.

Preceding Naomi in death were her husband, Guy, her parents, brother, Paul Masterson, sister, Ruth Gay, grandson, Johnnie Whitehill and granddaughter, Jennifer Spencer Stephens. Survivors include her son and daughter-in-law, Charles and Connie Spencer, daughter and son-in-law, Ina Rhea and Bob Whitehill all of Shenandoah, Iowa; grandsons, James and Joe Spencer; granddaughter, Karen Stanbrough; nine great grandchildren; sister, Helen Gay; brother Bill Masterson; other relatives and many friends.

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