

## Obituary

Bertha F. (Irwin) Broughton, daughter of Arthur Adelbert and Jennie Lou (Brown) Irwin, was born on December 17, 1909, at Riverton, Iowa. She passed away on Sunday, May 8, 2005 at the Shenandoah Medical Center following a brief illness at the age of 95.

Born and raised in Riverton, Bertha received her education from the Riverton Consolidated School. On June 19, 1926, Bertha was united in marriage to Wiley Ellis Broughton at Glenwood, Iowa. Following their marriage they resided in Riverton until moving to Shenandoah, Iowa in 1944. Bertha worked at the California Perfume Company during the early 1930's. In 1942, she went to work for Henry Field Seed & Nursery Company. She retired from Henry Field's in 1974 after 32 years of service.

A longtime member of the First Christian Church in Shenandoah, Bertha sang in the church choir for over 50 years. She was also a member of the Altrusa Club and Rebekah Lodge. Bertha loved spending time with her family and enjoyed traveling, bowling, playing cards and playing the piano.

Preceding Bertha in death were her parents and her husband of 64 years, Wiley Ellis Broughton, in 1990. Survivors include her children, Marjorie McQueen and her husband Howard of Shenandoah, IA, Donald Broughton of San Antonio, TX, and Mary Putnam of Shenandoah, IA; nine grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; 47 great-great grandchildren; three great-great-great grandchildren; numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and many, many friends.

There will be a time of fellowship and refreshments with the family following the committal service at the cemetery in the basement of the First Christian Church.

Everyone is cordially invited.

*Services Entrusted To:*  
Hackett-Livingston Funeral Home  
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