

September 7, 2008

The Life of Helen Dresbach

- The funeral for Helen Dresbach, 88, Groton, will be Monday, September 8, 2 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church, Groton. The Rev. Terry Kenny will officiate. Burial will follow in Groton Union Cemetery under the direction of Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton.

- Helen died September 4, 2008 at Centennial Hospice Cottages in Sioux Falls.

- Helen Ada Belle was born on March 13, 1920 in Ordway, South Dakota to Otto and Ada (Huntington) Hassenpflug. She moved to Groton as a child, and spent the remainder of her life there. Helen was married to D. W. (Ike) Dresbach in 1940. She was employed as a secretary with the Groton School District for 21 years. Upon retirement, Helen spent many hours volunteering for community organizations and knitting bandages and infant caps for third



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- Helen was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Groton and had held many offices there, including President of the Presbyterian Women, Trustee and Elder. Helen also belonged to the Rebekah Lodge #75 of Redfield, a branch of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows since May of 1947 and was recently honored with a Veteran's Jewel Status for 60 years of service. She held many offices locally and several appointed offices in the State Rebekah Assembly.

- Grateful for having shared in her life are her children; Sondra (Sam) Delceppo of Lancaster, California, Chuck (Julie) Dresbach of Sioux Falls, seven grandchildren; Todd, Mario, Helen, Trina, Trenton, Amber and Kallie, three step-grandchildren; Reno, Joni and Jessie, eight great-grandchildren, four step-great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

- Preceding her in death was her husband, her daughter, Paulette Green, three brothers and one sister.

- Casketbearers will be Clayton Sternhagen, Jon Anderson, Keith Green, Jim Ackman, Eddy Nehls and David McCullough.

- Memorials may be directed to the First Presbyterian Church in Groton or the Rebekah Lodge in Redfield.

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