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Dorothy Rasmussen passed away in Central Washington Hospital in Wenatchee on January 31, 2013, after losing a brief bout with Pneumonia. Dorothy was born Dorothy Virginia Stutting in Delmar, IA, on November 8, 1919, and moved to Maquoketa, IA at age nine. She graduated from Maquoketa High School (Class of 1938) and went on to become a beautician. On June 22, 1941, she married Gerald "Jerry" Rasmussen, her childhood and high school sweetheart. During the War years, she followed Jerry as his Army Ordinance duties took him to the Aberdeen Proving Grounds in Maryland, and to the Toledo Army Ordinance Depot, working as a beautician at both locations. Following the War, they returned to Maquoketa and gave their attention to the family automobile dealership and to their son and grandchildren. Later in life, Jerry and Dorothy enjoyed traveling to Europe, especially to Denmark, where they were able to reestablish a connection to Danish family members... a connection which had been severed two generations before. They maintained this connection up to the present time. As their age and health issues advanced, Dorothy and Jerry decided to move to Wenatchee, WA, to be close to their son and daughter-in-law. They became residents of Bonaventure of East Wenatchee in March of 2009, and made

many good friends among the residents and staff there. Dorothy lost Jerry, her husband of 70 years, on June 12, 2011. Dorothy was active in the Maquoketa Woman's Club, PEO (Maquoketa and Wenatchee), Jackson County Hospital Auxiliary, Briggs Elementary School PTA, and the First United Methodist Church of Maquoketa.

Dorothy is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Phil and Lovelyn Rasmussen of Wenatchee; her granddaughter, Linde Rasmussen Lapish of Scottsdale, AZ; her grandson, Dana Gerald Rasmussen and his wife, Jasmine of Alexandria, VA; and her great-grandsons, Colin and Evan.

Services will be held in Iowa at a later date. Arrangements were assisted by Telford's Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee.