Service Summary

Visitation
5:00 PM to 7:00 PM, Sun Jun 17, 2012

Bayview/Freeborn Funeral Home
1415 Highway 13 North
Albert Lea, Minnesota 56007

Funeral Service
2:30 PM Mon Jun 18, 2012

Silver Lake Lutheran Church
705 Silver Lake Road
Northwood, Iowa 50459

Obituary

Born: Wednesday, March 2, 1927
Died: Wednesday, June 13, 2012

Funeral services for Betty Lou Thompson, age 85, of Glenville will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Monday, June 18, 2012 at Silver Lake Lutheran Church. Rev. Bill Peters will officiate. Interment will be at Silver Lake Cemetery. Visitation will be from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Sunday, June 17, 2012 at Bayview/Freeborn Funeral Home and one hour prior to the service at the church.

Betty died Wednesday, June 13, 2012 at the Albert Lea Good Samaritan Center.

Betty Lou (Martinson) Thompson was born in Albert Lea, MN on March 2, 1927 to Roy and Stella (Reeder) Martinson; she was raised in Twin Lakes, and in 1944 she graduated from Albert Lea High School. Betty met Lauritz (Lorrie) I. Thompson at a 4-H meeting. They were united in marriage on March 11, 1945 at Silver Lake Lutheran Church. They spent their entire married life farming. In 1964 they bought a farm east of Myrtle, where they spent the rest of their lives. Lauritz passed away in February 2000. Betty was an avid horse lover. She was also an excellent accordion player, and found a way to enjoy both at the same time. She was invited to various horse show venues, in several mid-west states, to be the main musical entertainment. Everyone who knew Betty knew her as a loving and caring person.

Betty is survived by her brother-in-law Ernest O Thompson of Emmons; sisters-in-law Helen Edwin and husband Robert of Albert Lea, and Beulah Thompson of Silver Lake, IA. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews; great-nieces, great-nephews, great-great nieces and great great-nephews; friends, neighbors, Amish friends, foster sons and loving care-givers.

Betty was preceded in death by her husband Lauritz; parents and parents-in-law; sister-in-law Dorothy Thompson; very special sister-in-law Mavis Nordaas, and brothers-in-law Siram M. Thompson and Haakon Nordaas.