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NEW HAMPTON — Aleda M. Knutson, 81, New Hampton, died Friday, Aug. 18, 2000 at Mercy Medical Center - New Hampton of natural causes.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Aug. 20 at 1:30 p.m. at Jerico Lutheran Church with Reverend Kent Dethlefsen officiating. Mary Beth Dethlefsen was the organist and was accompanied by those in attendance singing, "God Moves In A Mysterious Way", "Abide With Me", "My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less" and "Jesus Christ My Sure Defense" (which was chosen by Todd Knutson who was unable to attend.)

Burial was in the church cemetery with Tim Knutson, Randy Ellingson, Eric Knutson, Aaron Johnson, Wallace Knutson and Ray Wiley serving as casket bearers.

Visitation was from 5 to 8 p.m. Saturday at Conway Funeral Home, New Hampton and also an hour prior to services at the church.

Aleda Mabel Orriette Hereid Knutson was born July 23, 1919 in Howard County, the daughter of John and Nettie (Hildahl) Hereid. She was baptized Aug. 17, 1919 at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Saude. She attended country school near her home in rural Chickasaw County and graduated from New Hampton High School in 1937. After graduating, she went on to the Iowa State Teachers College, Cedar Falls for a short time, and then began teaching in both the Chickasaw and Howard County area schools for over 30 years.

On Sept. 30, 1939 she was united in marriage to Albert Knutson at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Saude. After their marriage the couple resided in Mason City for two years before



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Howard and Chickasaw County area. She went on to further her education and graduated from Upper Iowa University in 1965 with a BA in Education. In 1996 the couple moved to New Hampton. She was a member of the Jerico Lutheran Church and Ladies Aid. She enjoyed gardening and traveling. She and her husband Albert spent many winters in Arizona and also took a trip to Norway.

Survivors include two sons, Gary (Rosemary) Knutson, Decorah and Larry (Sara) Knutson, Cedar Rapids; seven grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; one sister, Hazel (Ed) Mitchell, Pine, AZ; one brother-in-law, H. Duane Knutson, Jerico and many nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband, Albert on March 27, 1999; two grandsons, Douglas A. Knutson and Lee A. Knutson; and one brother, James Hereid.

Memorials may be directed to Hospice of North Iowa, Jerico Lutheran Church or personal choice.