

## Lucille Sweeney, 102

*Dec. 18, 1900 - Jan. 6, 2003*

**SUTHERLAND** – Lucille Margaret Sweeney, daughter of Joseph and Alice Reager Scheaffer, was born Dec. 18, 1900, in Cedar Rapids. She moved to Sutherland with her parents the following year who had purchased City Hotel on Main Street. She received her early education in the grade schools and graduated from Sutherland High School in 1919. She attended the State University of Iowa for one year.

She was employed at the Sutherland Creamery until her marriage to Clarence Sweeney in 1935. They farmed east of Sutherland until retiring in 1963 and moved to Sutherland where she continued to live following her husband's death. During her younger years, she was baptized a member of the Methodist Church. Following her marriage, she attended Sacred Heart Catholic Church with her family. She was a 50-year member of the American Legion Auxiliary and also a member of the Cheerful Workers. Lucille died at the Baum-Harmon Mercy Hospital in Primghar, Jan. 6, 2003, at age 102.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband in 1976; her sister, Fola Kessler; and two grandchildren, John Patrick O'Bryan and David Sweeney. She is survived by her son, Joe (Judy) Sweeney of Sutherland; her daughter, Mary Alice (Richard) O'Bryan of Harlan; six grandsons and their wives, Daniel Sweeney (Karen) of Hartley; Steven Sweeney (Mona) of Spirit Lake; Douglas Sweeney (Charlene) of Sutherland; Christopher Sweeney (Melissa) of Colorado Springs, CO; Timothy (Carol) O'Bryan of Omaha, NE; and Michael (Susann) O'Bryan of Aliso Viejo, CA; one granddaughter, Maureen (Joe) Bourland of Omaha, NE; 17 great grandchildren; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Jan. 9, 2003, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Father William Paul McKane officiating. Burial was in the Calvary Cemetery, Sutherland. Casket bearers were Tim O'Bryan, Dan Sweeney, Doug Sweeney, Mike O'Bryan, Joe Bourland, Steven Sweeney, Chris Sweeney and Dennis Grant. Warner Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.