

Obituary from The Ogden Reporter, Ogden, Iowa
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Bertha Lora (Field) Merriam, 96, of Ogden, died January 10 at the Ogden Manor where she had been a resident since 1978. She was born February 8, 1899 in Orson, the daughter of Hershel Weston and Minnie May (Olmstead) Field. She was married August 3, 1920 to Edward Justin Merriam in Boone.

She graduated from Modale High School in 1919. Following the couple's marriage, they moved to Mitchell, S.D. and moved to Ogden in 1926. They then moved to Boone for several years before moving back to Ogden. She was a homemaker. During WWII, she worked at the ammunition plant in Ankeny. She was a member of the Community United Methodist Church in Ogden, the Naomi Church Circle, and past member of the Boone Woman's Club.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Edward on June 28, 1981; three sisters and two brothers. She is survived by one daughter and son-in-law, Mildred M. and Gordon Shoeman of Madrid; one son and daughter-in-law, Edward V. "Stub" and Jackie Merriam of Ocean Springs, Mississippi; four granddaughters; four grandsons; six great-granddaughters; and two great grandsons.

Funeral services were scheduled for today at 1 p.m. at Carson Funeral Home in Ogden with Rev. Jack Becker officiating. Burial will be in Glenwood Cemetery in Ogden.

Memorials may be given to the Community Methodist Church or the Ogden Manor.