

HOVDENES, Sylvia Mary (Breen) Ludens

January 23, 1922  
Armour, South Dakota  
October 27, 1976  
Sioux Falls

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## FUNERAL SERVICES ARE HELD FOR MRS. ED HOVDENES

Funeral services for Mrs. Edward Hovdenes were held in Davis on October 29 in the United Methodist Church. Rev. Roger J. Thomas used a text from Mark 14:8, "A woman who did what she could" to bring love into the world. Pianist, Mrs. Dewey Erickson accompanied Mrs. Roger J. Thomas for two solos, "Beyond the Sunset" and "How Great Thou Art". Nina Anderson of Sioux Falls sang the Lord's Prayer and accompanied this on the guitar. Casket bearers were: George Breen, Steve Hovdenes, Butch Joffer, Hank Wrage, Warren Nelson, Arnold Tippery. Interment was in the Hurley cemetery under the direction of Gaddis Funeral Home of Viborg, S. D. A luncheon was served in the American Legion Hall of Davis for family and friends.

Sylvia Mary (Bette) Breen was born January 23, 1922 at Armour, S. D. to Robert and Bertha Breen. Sylvia and her brothers and sisters were placed in the State Children's Home in Sioux Falls in 1928. She spent her childhood there and attended Bancroft and Whittier schools.

Sylvia was married to John C. Ludens on December 24, 1942. They farmed near Davis on the home place until 1945. They moved to Omaha until 1947 and then to Carthage, S. D., where they farmed until 1958. They moved back to Davis where John passed away in 1960.

To this union were born five children—John, Fenton, Eugene, and Gordon and Darla.

Sylvia married Edward Hovdenes Sept. 7, 1962 in Sioux Falls and they lived on the farm at Davis except for a few years in Sioux Falls. Sylvia was taken to the Sioux Valley Hospital on Monday and passed away on Wednesday, October 27, after a lingering illness. She was preceded in death by her father and half-sister, Peggy.

Among those who survive are her widower, Edward; four sons: John C. Ludens, Minneapolis; Fenton C. Ludens, Brookings; Eugene A. Ludens of Brookings; Gordon E. Ludens, Viborg; and one daughter, Darla D. Ludens of Viborg; her mother, Bertha Ziermann, Baker, Oregon; and seven grandchildren; twenty-two foster children; three brothers: Norman Breen of Sioux Falls, Robert Joffer of Hurley, and Floyd Stoll, Texas; one sister, Shirley Amick of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; four half-brothers: Elmer Breen, California; George Ziermann and Harry Ziermann, Oregon; and Robert Breen, California; four half-sisters: Mrs. Ray (Marie) Lautz of Rapid City, Mrs. Al (Mildred) Cross of Sioux City, Mrs. Stan (Mary Ann) Titus, Oregon, and Mrs. Warren (Frances) Satter, Rapid City; and her nieces and nephews. She was a loving wife and mother and will be greatly missed by her family and many friends.