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Marie Blumenberg, 84, of Seward, Neb., died Monday, June 3, 2002, at Seward.

Mrs. Blumenberg was a graduate of Columbus High School and Indiana Business College and was a member of St. John Lutheran Church at Seward.

Funerals will be at 2 p.m. today at St. John Lutheran Church in Seward, with the Rev. Daniel Dahling officiating, and at 10:30 a.m. Monday at Zion Lutheran Church in Friedheim near Decatur . Calling will be from 10 a.m. until service time Monday at the church in Friedheim. Burial will be at Zion Lutheran Cemetery at Decatur.

Memorials may be made to Concordia University or Zion Lutheran Church.

Arrangements were made by Zwick & Jahn Funeral Home in Decatur, Neb.

Mrs. Blumenberg was born in Columbus Nov. 12, 1917, the daughter of T.J. and Bertha Scheidt Koch. She married Gilbert Blumenberg Aug. 29, 1943, at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Columbus. He survives.

Also surviving are sons, James Blumenberg of Columbus, Dr. Theo Blumenberg of Decatur, Ind., John Blumenberg of Seward and Dr. Daniel Blumenberg of Norfolk, Neb.; daughters, Dr. Paula Blumenberg of Tampa, Fla., Rhoda Toulouse of Seattle, Sarah Blumenberg of Seward and Andrea Woodburn of York, Neb.; sisters, Ruth Sheldon of Memphis, Mich., Anna Knuth of Manitowac, Wis., Martha Meizen of Edwardsville, Ill., Eunice Snyder of Red Bud, Ill., Eva Clapp of Holland, Mich., and Theodora Wallace of Williamsburgh, Iowa; and 27 grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by brothers, Walter and Joseph Koch; and sisters, Grace Koch, Julia LaSell and Lois Steiner.

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