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**Arlene E. Becher**

**Berne - 1933-2002**

Arlene E. Becher, 69, of Berne, 1979 Dairywoman of the Year, died Thursday, Aug. 8, 2002, at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

The Adams County native was a retired former co-owner of Nor-Lene Holstein Farms, had taught accordion for many years, was an adviser for Indiana Junior Holstein Association and past president of Adams County Homemakers Club. She was a member of Peace Lutheran Church, Luther Women's Guild and Hoosier Holstein Homemakers. Surviving are daughters Jolandia Nussbaum, Lori Sprunger and Judy Mudd, all of Berne; sons Timothy, Ronald and Stanley, all of Berne; 15 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Norman, and a brother. Services are 2 p.m. Sunday at St. Luke's United Church of Christ, Decatur, with calling one hour before services. Calling is also from 2 to 8 p.m. Saturday and also from 10 a.m. to noon Sunday at Yager-Kirchhofer Funeral Home, Berne. Burial will be at MRE Cemetery, Berne. Memorials are to the Adams County Community Foundation Heart Fund or American Diabetes Association.

Information provided by Yager-Kirchhofer Funeral Home, Berne, 1-260-589-3101