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Sylvia Hanni, 85, of Geneva, died in Jay County Hospital, Portland, at 5:55 p.m. Saturday.

She was born on January 21, 1906 in Berne to John B. and Lavonia (sic) Flory Bixler, and married Menno Hanni on June 27, 1925. He died June 8, 1986.

She and her husband owned Hanni Furniture in Geneva from 1947 until they retired in 1983. She was a member of High St. United Methodist Church in Geneva for 56 years.

Surviving are two sons, Dr. Robert Hanni, Monticello, Indiana, and Larry Hanni, Indianapolis; a daughter, Mrs. Howard (Phyllis) Cress, Fort Wayne; three sisters, Orpha Spahr, Nellie Idlewine and Mrs. Lester (Marjorie) Zimmerman, all of Berne; four brothers, Dale and Glenn Bixler of Berne; Virgil Bixler, 811 N. Third St., Decatur; and Roy Bixler, route 1, Decatur; 11 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in Downing Funeral Home, Geneva, Rev. Tim Dulley officiating. Burial will be in Westlawn Cemetery, Geneva. Visiting hours are 3-8 p.m. today and 9-10:30 a.m. Tuesday in the funeral home. Preferred memorials are to the church.