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KATHERINE YODER FIREOVED, 91, of Swiss Village, Berne, died Saturday, April 19, 2003. Born March 3, 1912 in LaGrange County, she was a member of First Mennonite Church of Berne and a graduate of Manchester and Goshen Colleges. She was a former elementary school teacher for 12 years, former bookkeeper for D.W. Veterinary, Berne, and former member of Berne Mother's Club. She served on the Swiss Village Board of Directors and started the first Women's Book Group. She married D.W. Fireoved, D.V.M., Sept. 4, 1943 in Indio, Calif. , who died in 1980. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Mac (Ann) Blattert of Kansas City, Kan. Mrs. Stephen (Ruth) Marion of Philadelphia; sons, Ralph Fireoved, Elkhart and Joe Fireoved of Lubeck, Germany; sister, Carrie Yoder Diener of Goshen; and six grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, Henry H. and Mary Wingard Yoder, a brother, Leroy and a sister, Beulah Yoder. Services are 10 a.m. Saturday, April 26, 2003 at First Mennonite Church Chapel with the Rev. Craig Maven officiating. Calling is Friday from 4 to 8 p.m. at Swiss Village Chapel. Private family burial at M.R.E. Cemetery, Berne. Memorials to First Mennonite Church Missions, Mennonite Central Committee and Swiss Village. Arrangements by Yager-Kirchofer Funeral Home, Berne.

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