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Clara Marie Nielsen, 91

Clara Marie Nielsen, the daughter of Chris and Julia Hansen Lansman was born Aug. 10, 1891 on a farm in Shelby co. She was baptized as a young girl at Merrill's Grove Baptist church. Clara attended country school in Shelby co. After school she worked as a dressmaker while growing to adulthood.

On April 10, 1917 she married Ralph Nielsen at the Lansman home north of Fiscus. After marriage, they farmed for a few years before moving to Omaha, Neb., in 1924.

While in Omaha, Mr Nielsen and his brothers operated the Minne Lusa Dairy and the Parkwood Dairy for several years and was also engaged in the Real Estate business. After they retired in 1962 they continued to live in Omaha until 1977 when they moved to Harlan. Ralph died on Nov. 28, 1982 and she then became a resident of the Baptist Memorial Home in Harlan. This has been her home since that time.

She was a member of Calvery Baptist church in Omaha, Neb. for over 50 years. She died at the Baptist Memorial Home in Harlan on Wednesday, Feb. 2, 1983 at the age of 91 years, 6 months and 15 days.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by five brothers: Chris, Charles, Harry, Ray and Ewald and two sisters Sophia and Minnie. She is survived by one brother Emanuel Lansman of Harlan; one sister Nina (Mrs Jens) Sorensen of Harlan; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at Pauley Funeral Home, Harlan, Monday, Feb. 28, 1983 with the Rev. John H. Ashley of the First Baptist church in Harlan, officiating and Pastor Robert C. Baker of Grace Baptist church in Harlan, assisting.

Burial was in the Merrill's Grove cemetery, Shelby co., with David Lansman, Gerald Lansman, Rodney Lansman, Donald Sorensen, Merlin J. Sorensen and Robert E. Lansman serving as casketbearers.