

Sallie (Jedele) Ahrenholtz, 93

May 7, 1905 - Sept. 26, 1998

DENISON - Sallie Jedele Ahrenholtz, daughter of George and Salome Koenig Jedele was born May 7, 1905, in Mietesheim Alsace Lorraine Germany. She came to America with her family in 1907 and settled in Crawford County.

Jan. 23, 1924, she married Peter Ahrenholtz in Denison. They farmed in the Manilla, Defiance, and Denison areas until 1968 when they retired and moved into Manilla. Peter died Nov. 4, 1978. She was an active member of the Defiance United Methodist Church since 1924, where she worked at the various Women's organizations. Sept. 26, 1998, she died at Reed House in Denison, at age 93 years, four months and 19 days.

Besides her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a daughter, Lucille in 1936, two grandchildren, Jill and Kipp Ahrenholtz, three siblings in German; a brother, George; a half brother, Charles; two sisters, Margaret Holdsworth and Martha in infancy; and a son-in-law, Philip Sheppard. She is survived by four sons, Wesley Ahrenholtz (Virgene); Willis Ahrenholtz (Delores); Leonard Ahrenholtz (Shirley); Jim Ahrenholtz (Karen), all of Denison; four daughters, Loretta Shepperd of Atlantic; Ruth (Gil) Carstens of Loveland, CO; Martha (Bob) Camden of Sedalia, MO; Marie Jennings of Kirkland, WA; 19 grandchildren; 27 great grandchildren; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Sept. 30, 1998, at the United Methodist Church in Defiance, with Rev. Joseph Boysen officiating. Casket bearers were her grandchildren. Burial was in the Union Township Cemetery, Defiance. Ohde Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.