

## Mildred Andersen, 91

*Jan. 10, 1914 - July 29, 2005*

**HARLAN** — Mildred Marie Andersen, daughter of Antony and Katherine Eskow Jensen, was born on a farm near Elk Horn Jan. 10, 1914, and was one of four children in the family. She was baptized and confirmed at the Elk Horn Lutheran Church. She attended school at Clay Township #2 until the eighth grade. Mildred worked for families in the Elk Horn community, including Chris and Helena Christensen, where she met her future husband.

Mildred married Elmer Andersen April 4, 1935, in the Elk Horn Lutheran Church and they just celebrated 70 years of marriage this past April. After their marriage, they lived in Elk Horn and on a farm east of Elk Horn, also on a farm near Fiscus until moving to their farm south of Irwin in 1947. They remained on this farm until 1991 when they built a home in Elk Horn where they remained until moving to Elm Crest Retirement Community in Harlan in August of 2004. They were the parents of four children, Shirley, Emmert, Joan and Janice. Mildred was a member of the Get Together Club and she was a 4-H co-leader. Mildred was active in the Jacksonville, Irwin and Elk Horn Lutheran Churches Women's Groups. They showed their teams of ponies in neighboring parades. She died July 29, 2005, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 91 years, six months and 19 days.

Mildred was preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by her husband, Elmer of Harlan; her children, Shirley Thompson of Huntington Beach, CA; Emmert Andersen (Diane) of Harlan; Joan Smith of Boone; and Janice (David) Fielding of Lake Elsinore, CA; two sisters, Evelyn Hansen and Glenda Andersen, both of Elk Horn; and her brother, Maynard Jensen (Rose Marie) of Kimballton; eight grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; brother-in-law, Chris Andersen of Atlantic; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Aug. 1, 2005, at the Elk Horn Lutheran Church with Pastor William Embree officiating. Burial was in the Elk Horn Lutheran Cemetery with Dan Smith, Mark Andersen, Steve Smith, Kent Andersen, Bill Thompson, and Ron Andersen casket bearers. Pauley Jones Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

