

Sylvia Lillian Andersen, 85

May 2, 1913 - Jan. 5, 1999

ELK HORN- Sylvia Lillian Nelson Andersen, daughter of Knud and Anna Leistad Nelson was born May 2, 1913 in Elk Horn. She died Jan. 5, 1999 at Cass County Memorial Hospital in Atlantic at age 85 years, 8 months and 3 days. She was a member of the Elk Horn Lutheran Church. She grew up on a farm one mile west of Elk Horn, and was baptized and confirmed at the Elk Horn Lutheran Church. She attended school at Clay Township #2 and Elk Horn High School.

Jan. 5, 1932 she married Hans C. Andersen. They farmed in the Elk Horn/Kimballton communities before retiring in Elk Horn in 1975. She was involved in various women's clubs, school functions and church activities including circle and choir. She served as president of the Lutheran women's district organization for several terms, as well as holding local offices.

She was preceded in death by her husband Hans, her parents, one grandson, one sister, Hilda Durham, and a sister-in-law, Mable Andersen. She is survived by five sons, Donald Andersen (Helen) of Audubon, Charles Andersen (Holly) of Elk Horn, Dennis Andersen of Atlanta, GA, Paul Andersen of Houston, TX and David Andersen (Donna) of Atlantic; grandchildren, Michael and Kent Andersen, Angie Garrett, Karla and Matt Andersen, Bradley and Jennifer Andersen, Nicole, Jessica, Tyler and Alex Andersen; 10 great grandchildren; one sister, Edna (Ed) Ackerman of Atlantic; brothers-in-law Russell Durham of Kimballton, Chris Andersen of Atlantic and Elmer Andersen (Mildred) of Elk Horn. She is also survived by two aunts, Dagny Gude and Elsie Bonnesen, both of Elk Horn, nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Jan. 9, 1999 at the Elk Horn Lutheran Church with Pastor Michael Williams and Pastor Stephen Gronseth officiating. Burial was in the Elk Horn Lutheran cemetery. Casket bearers were Arnold Gude, John Leistad, Jerry Gude, Kent Evans, Leroy Pedersen and Dallas Hansen. Ohde Funeral Home, Kimballton, in charge of arrangements.