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Elva M. Beckner, 81 June 12, 1914 - March 3, 1996

CO. BLUFFS - Elva M. Hansen Beckner of Co. Bluffs was born June 12, 1914 at Persia, daughter of Chris A. and Edna Graybill Hansen. She grew up in Persia graduating from the Persia High School in 1932.

She married Forest E. Beckner of Thurston, NE and they farmed in the Persia area before moving to Co. Bluffs in 1952. She died at Mercy

Hospital in Co. Bluffs following a short illness.

She is survived by three daughters, Patsy (Gene) Opal, Gloria (Terry) Blum and Sally (George) Rude and one son, Stanley E. Beckner all of Co. Bluffs; 11 grandchildren; 16 great grandchildren; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held March 5, 1996 at the Meyer Funeral Chapel in Co. Bluffs with Rev. David Erickson, pastor of the First Christian Church officiating. Casket bearers were her grandsons, Keith Blum, Kelly Blum, Scott Rude, Matt Beckner, Chris Opal and Greg Opal. Honorary casket bearers were Gene Opal, Jr. and Rick Opal. Burial was in the Valley View Cemetery near Persia.