

Virginia Broughton, 90

Jan. 13, 1913 - Jan. 21, 2003

WEST UNION – Virginia Marie (Madson) Broughton was born Jan. 13, 1913, in Shelby County, the daughter of Peter and Lona (Jensen) Madson. She attended school at Fairview #6 and graduated from Harlan High School in 1930. She attended Iowa State Normal School (UNI) graduating in 1934. She taught school in Shelby County and Wadena.

Virginia married Bill Broughton May 29, 1939, in Papillion, NE. She helped her husband, Bill, at Bill's Sport Shop in West Union for several years. She was a 50-year member of the Bethel Presbyterian Church in West Union. She was also an active member of the West Union Order of Eastern Star Chapter #110 for over 50 years, serving as Worthy Matron, Marshall and Secretary. She was most recently a member of the Oelwein Order of Eastern Star Chapter #45 and a 47-year member of the West Union Past Matrons. She died Jan. 21, 2003, at the Palmer Lutheran Health Center, West Union, following a short illness at age 90.

Virginia was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Bill in 1999; daughter-in-law, Georgia (Horrick) Broughton in 1998; and one brother, Paul in infancy. She is survived by her three sons, Charles W. Broughton (Charlotte) of Calmar; Don H. Broughton of Battle Mountain, NV and David M. Broughton of Battle Mountain, NV; six grandchildren, Andrea Seegmiller (Dan); Erin Williams (Alan); Boyd Broughton (Joni); Renee' Broughton; Brett Broughton (Heather); and Michelle Lynn Broughton; eight great grandchildren, Leah and Mathew Seegmiller; Abigail, Samantha and Elizabeth Williams; Amanda and Matthew Broughton and Carly Broughton; two sisters, Marjorie Custer of Harlan and Jeanette Dunn of Englewood, CO; one brother, Phillip Madson (Pearl) of Harlan; and nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Jan. 27, 2003, at the Bethel Presbyterian Church in West Union, with Rev. Galen Smith officiating. Burial was in the Wadena Cemetery. Honorary casket bearers were Don Wagner, Steve Sindelar and Ken Miller. Casket bearers were Jim Hauer, Mark Penne, Newell McIntrye, Mike Murphy, Alan Williams and Dan Seegmiller. Schluter-Balik Funeral Home, Calmar, in charge of arrangements.

