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Amanda Christensen, 81

AUDUBON – Amanda Christensen, the daughter of Christen H. and Metta Marie Simonsen Christensen, was born June 11, 1907 at Poplar in Shelby County and died Nov. 26, 1988 at the Methodist Mid-Town Hospital in Omaha, NE at age 81 years, 5 months and 15 days. She was baptized and confirmed at the Poplar Church in Shelby County and attended rural school at Polk Twp. School No. 7. She then worked in several homes in Harlan as a household worker, including the homes of Gov. Nelson G. Kraschel, N.P. Dowling and Dr. Dewey Bisgaard.

She attended and graduated from Chillicothe Business College in Chillicothe, MO in 1928 and the John Francis Polytechnic Evening High School in Los Angeles, CA in 1946. She served with the U.S. Army during WW II and was stationed at the Stockton Army Airfield, CA. After being employed by the U.S. Civil Service Commission in Washington, D.C., Kansas City, Mo. and Los Angeles, CA she retired in 1969. She lived in Burbank, CA and was associated with the Broadway and May Company Department Stores as a clerk and accountant. In Nov. of 1982 she moved to Audubon, to live with her sisters, Hedevig and Emma Christensen. She was a member of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church and the Alpha Circle in Audubon, the Amelia Earhart Post No. 678, American Legion of Los Angeles, CA and the Epsilon Sigma Alpha Sorority.

Preceding her in death were her parents; three brothers and one sister, Lauritz, Sigurd and Hans Christensen and Hansena Clausen. Survivors include her sisters and brothers, Hedevig Christensen, Simon Christensen and Emma Christensen all of Audubon; Raymond Christensen of Salem and Mayme (Mrs Arnold) Jacobs of Marne; her sister-in-law, Myrtle Christensen of Audubon; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Harris Hostager and Joan Mau Nov. 29, 1988 at the Kessler Funeral Home in Audubon. Cremation will be followed by burial in the Arlington Heights cemetery in Audubon. Honorary casket bearers were nephews, Arnold Block, David L. Christensen, Jerald Christensen, Robert R. Christensen, Steven Jacobs and Donald E. Kristensen.