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## Edna Mae Christensen, 59

Feb. 5, 1932 - March 25, 1991

KIMBALLTON - Edna Mae Christensen, daughter of Nels and Caroline Christensen Christoffersen, was born Feb. 5, 1932 in Kimballton, and died March 25, 1991 at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan, at age 59 years, 1 month, and 20 days. She was baptized and confirmed at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Kimballton. She attended grade school in Kimballton and graduated from Audubon High School in 1950. She later took classes through lowa Western Community College in Harlan and graduated as an LPN.

Sept. 16, 1951, she married Arild Christensen at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Kimballton. She was employed as a nurse at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan for a short time. She was forced to retire due to failing health and became a resident of the Salem Lutheran Nursing Home in Elk Horn, Jan. 6, 1981. She was an active member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Kimballton and served as the church organist, choir director and taught Sunday school.

Preceding her in death were her mother and father. Nels and Caroline Christoffersen, Survivors include her husband, Arild Christensen of Kimballton; her children and their spouses, Julie Christensen of New Hope, MN.; Clark (LouAnn) Christensen of Spirit Lake; Carolyn Christensen of San Antonio, TX.; Janelle (Maurice) Bell of Irving, TX.; three grandchildren; one sister, Joy (Gerhard) Bengston of Kimballton; two aunts, Hilda Christoffersen of Kimballton and Karen Petersen of Audubon; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Stephen Gronseth March 28, 1991, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Kimballton. Burial was in the Immanuel Lutheran cemetery in Kimballton. Honorary casketbearers were Anette Andersen, Esther Gearhart, Darla Hansen, Linda Hansen, Thresa Jensen, Sarah Kunik, Marcia Nelson, Therese Nelson, Jennifer Nelson and Delores Nordby. Casketbearers were Tony Jacobsen, Bob Jacobsen, Don Jacobsen, Jim Heilskov, Terry Heilskov, Karl Christensen, Steve Christensen, and Kirk Bengston. Kessler Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.