Harlan, Iowa Tribune Wednesday March 4, 1987, pg 2-B Olga Christensen, 84

MANILLA — Olga, daughter of John and Marty Christensen Rasmussen, was born Feb. 20, 1902 near Astor. She attended Astor schools.

On June 2, 1920, she married John Christensen. Five children: Joyce, John, Harvey, Beverly and Mary were born to this union. She and her husband farmed near Astor until the late 30's when they moved to Manilla. In addition to raising her family, she worked as a telephone operator and served as the librarian for the Manilla public library for many years.

Her husband, John, died in 1977. In the early 1980's she moved to the Manilla Manor Nursing Home, where she died on Feb. 4, 1987 at age 84 years, 11 months and 15 days.

She was a Gold Star mother and was preceded in death by her son, John Kenneth, during WWII. Besides her husband, she was also preceded in death by her parents; by a brother in infancy and by her brother, Chriss Rasmussen. She is survived by four children, Joyce (Mrs Lawrence) Dobbs of Phoenix, AZ.; Harvey Christensen of Manilla; Beverly (Mrs Harold) Olson of Manilla; Mary (Mrs Rolland) Grace of Emmetsburg; by 13 grandchildren; by 15 great-grandchildren and by nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Feb. 7, 1987 at Ohde Funeral Home in Manilla with Pastor Glenn Wiechmann, officiating. Casketbearers were Dennis Christensen, Harold Olson, Jr., Rolland Paul Grace, Barry Christensen, Lynn Olson and Kenneth Soenen. Burial was at Astor cemetery in Manilla.