

## **Frieda Christine Emken, 87**

**Feb. 24, 1905 — Sept. 6, 1992**

**HANCOCK** — Frieda Christine Emken was born in Kiel, Germany Feb. 24, 1905. She was the daughter of Heinrich Jurgen Soll and Martha Katharine Preusier. Her mother died in childbirth and her father died when she was 6 years old. She was raised by her maternal grandparents until their deaths. She came to America at that time, June 12, 1925, at age 20.

She married John Henry Emken July 25, 1928, in Omaha, NE. They farmed in NE., and near Hancock for many years. They retired from farming in 1955 and moved to Avoca, where they operated a restaurant for ten years. They were the parents of five children. They retired from the restaurant in 1965 and moved back to Hancock. John died in 1980 and she moved to Peace Haven Retirement Home in Walnut, in 1982, where she lived until 1989. She became a resident of the Colonial Manors Nursing Home in Avoca, until moving to the Oakland Manor Nursing Home in April of 1991. She was a member of the Hancock Methodist Church. She died at the Oakland Manor Nursing Home in Oakland Sept. 6, 1992, at age 87 years, 5 months and 13 days.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband, John. Survivors are two daughters, Mrs Henry (Welma) Lund of Carson, CA.; and Mrs Roger (Joan) Reineke of Hancock.; Three sons, Robert Emken (Mary Lou) of Hancock; Roger Emken (Ethel) of LaPorte, CO.; Harold Emken (Jackie) of Bellevue, NE.; 8 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; two half-sisters, Lena in Tacoma, WA; and Emma living in Unified Germany; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Sept. 9, 1992, at the Knutson Funeral Chapel in Avoca, with Rev. Douglas Cue, officiating. Burial was in the Oak Hill cemetery in Hancock. Casketbearers were Bob Benson, Bob Reineke, Jeff Schueman, Dianne Schueman, Sandra Brokman, Steve Emken, Kathy Benson, Glen Lund, Greg Lund, Mark Emken. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.