

## Dorotha M. Ellithorpe, 72

**May 20, 1925 - March 3, 1998**

**ELK HORN** - Dorotha M. Ellithorpe was born May 20, 1925, to Charlie and Mildred Eivins Karns in Union County. She died March 3, 1998, at St. Joseph Hospital in Omaha, at age 72. Dorotha graduated from high school and then attended Southwestern Community College in Creston, Peru College and Drake University. She taught kindergarten through sixth grades for 12 years.

May 21, 1954, she married Harold Ellithorpe at the United Methodist Church in Afton. Two children were born to this union. They had made their home in Massena, Anita, Maquoketa and Walnut, before moving to Elk Horn in August of 1996. Dorotha also was a homemaker. She attended the Elk Horn Baptist Church and the Women's Missionary Circle.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one grandson and one granddaughter. She is survived by her husband, Harold of Elk Horn; daughter, Karen Hofmann (John) of Walnut; a son, Robert Ellithorpe (Bonnie) of Maquoketa; ten grandchildren; five great grandchildren; sisters, Betty Still and Phillis Kale (Boyd) all of Des Moines; brothers, Willie Karns of Des Moines; Ralph Karns of Des Moines; Donnie Karns of Colfax and Raymond Karns of Fairbanks, AK, and other relatives.

Funeral services were held March 6, 1998, at the First Baptist Church, Elk Horn, with Pastor Michael Marcum officiating. Burial was in the Oakfield Baptist Cemetery, rural Elk Horn. Casket bearers were Paul Riley, Amos Hoffert, Robert Dierking, John Hofmann, Horace Graves and Albert Ellithorpe. Steen Funeral Home, Kimballton, in charge of arrangements.