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Leona C. Johnson, 77 *(Henry)*

AVOCA — Leona Catherine Johnson was born in Pottawattamie county, near Avoca, on Aug. 16, 1909. She was the daughter of William and Alvina Arp Bornholdt. She was one of ten children in the family.

The family moved to a farm west of Tennant, where she attended school and graduated from the Tennant high school in the class of 1926. She married Henry E. Johnson on Feb. 9, 1929 in Shelby. They were the parents of three children. They lived in Avoca until moving to Walnut in 1945, where she worked for the Berthusen Funeral Home. They returned to Avoca by 1973 and in 1979 relocated to Atlantic, where they resided until Henry's death on Dec. 23, 1986. She died April 3, 1987 at the Cass county Memorial hospital in Atlantic, following a sudden illness at age 77 years.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Henry; five sisters, Meta Zimmerman, Hertha Lippold, Darlene Olsen, Mabel Slaven and Ethel Aufrecht; four brothers, Rudolph Bornholdt, Oscar Bornholdt, Wilbert P. Bornholdt and Raymond Bornholdt. She is survived by her children, Jack Johnson of Corning; and his fiance Nancy Bross of Omaha; Richard Johnson of Atlanta, GA.; Jim Johnson of Mankato, MN.; five grandchildren; one great grandchild and nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were April 6, 1987 at Trinity Lutheran church, Avoca with Pastor Harold Peterson, officiating. Burial was in Graceland cemetery, Avoca with Jay Johnson, Dan Johnson, Rex Sievers, Scott Johnson, Rhett Johnson and Larry Lippold serving as casketbearers. Berthusen-Knutson Funeral Home in Avoca were in charge of arrangements.