

Elma Jensen, 93 ✓

Dec. 21, 1906 – Aug. 19, 2000

SHELBY – Elma Mary Jensen was born Dec. 21, 1906, in Shelby, daughter of Chris and Helen Bolander Rohrs. She was one of three daughters in the family. She was baptized and confirmed in the German Lutheran Church in Shelby. She attended grade school and high school in Shelby, graduating in 1925. She graduated from the University of Ames, in 1930 with a degree in Home Economics. She then went on to teach school in northwestern Iowa and later taught classes at the high school in Shelby. When she left the teaching profession she went to work in the lab for the Corn State Serum Company in Omaha and worked there until 1950.

Feb. 10, 1950, she married Alvin Jensen. They were the parents of one son, Robert. In 1951, they moved to the family farm and they resided there until she moved to the Salem Lutheran Home in Elk Horn, three years and eight months ago. The couple have had the honor of their farm being recognized as one of the Century Farms of the State of Iowa. She was also a member of the Rebekah Lodge. They celebrated their golden wedding anniversary this past February. Elma died Aug. 19, 2000, at the Salem Lutheran Home at age 93 years, eight months and 29 days.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Frances. She is survived by her husband, Alvin of Shelby; her son, Robert of Shelby; her sister, Helen Gaynor of Fullerton, CA; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Aug. 23, 2000, at the United Lutheran Church, Shelby, with Pastor Dale Jensen officiating. Burial was in the Shelby Cemetery. Casket bearers were Eugene Wahling, Ronald Eggerss, Bill Johnson, Francis Wise, Larry Johansen and Duane Johnson. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.