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## **Gladys Kaven, 90**

*April 19, 1912 – July 5, 2002*

**MINDEN** – Gladys Clara Kaven was born April 19, 1912, on a farm north of Minden, the daughter of Henry and Emma Tradel Wohlert. She was one of 10 children in the family. She was baptized July 14, 1912, and confirmed March 28, 1926, in the Minden Congregational Church.

Nov. 29, 1933, in Treynor, she married Orvel Kaven. They lived their entire life in Minden. For many years, she was active in the ladies organization of the Minden Church, serving as treasurer. She was a secretary of the bowling league. Orvel died Nov. 22, 1992. She lived in her home until October of 2001, when she moved to Peace Haven Retirement Home in Walnut. She died July 5, 2002, at the Atlantic Nursing and Rehab Center at age 90 years, two months and 15 days.

Gladys was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Orvel; her five brothers, Julius, Herbert, Elmer, Floyd and Irvin (Shorty); and four sisters, Matilda Bauerkemper, Alice Thomsen, Esther Stender and Dorothy Westphalen. She is survived by her nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held July 8, 2002, at the Minden United Church of Christ with Pastor Denny Peterson officiating. Burial was in the Minden Cemetery. Casket bearers were Dennis Kenealy, Carl Cochran, Terry Ring, Leo Kenealy, Alvin Martens and Dick Jensen. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.