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Alma Kite, 86

May 1, 1915 - Feb. 17, 2002

ELK HORN - Alma Kathern Egidia, daughter of Peter L. and Anna (Andersen) Nelson, was born May 1, 1915, on the family farm north of Elk Horn in Shelby County. She attended rural school near her home. Following the completion of her schooling she hired out to families in the area to help with household chores.

March 26, 1937, Alma married Albert Ashley Kite at Atlantic. One son was born to this union. They farmed in the Walnut area for 16 years. After farming one year west of Elk Horn, they spent the next 14 years farming west of Kimballton. In the spring of 1968 they moved into their home in Elk Horn. Albert died shortly thereafter May 7, 1968. She worked as a nurse's aide at Salem Lutheran Homes until age 65 years. She was baptized and confirmed at Elk Horn Lutheran Church and was a lifelong member and was a member of the Friendly Neighbor Club. After falling in her home, she was in Jennie Edmundson Hospital in Council Bluffs, for a short time before her death there Feb. 17, 2002, at the age of 86 years, eight months and 17 days.

Preceding her in death are her parents; husband; daughter-in-law, Jerolyn Kite in 1988; brother-in-law, Leroy Christensen; and niece, Anna Mae (Nelson) Atkinson. She is survived by her son, Robert Kite (Karen) of Kimballton; four grandchildren, Bryan Kite (Brenda) of Atlantic; Darin Kite (Kristi) of Waukee; Michelle (Dennis) Graham of Stanton and Shannon Kite of Ottawa, KS; seven great grandchildren, Paul, Katelyn, Kaleb, Rachel, Emily Nicole and Christian; sister, Mathilda Christensen of Elk Horn; brother, Richard Nelson (Leona) of Elk Horn; niece, Shirley Andersen of Solon, and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Feb. 21, 2002, at the Elk Horn Lutheran Church with Pastor Mike Williams officiating. Burial was in the Elk Horn Lutheran Cemetery. Casket bearers were Bryan Kite, Dennis Graham, Shannon Kite, Darin Kite, Michelle Kite Graham and Paul Kite. Ohde Funeral Home, Kimballton, in charge of arrangements.