

Elsie Bertha Pash, 98

Feb. 18, 1898 - May 17, 1996

AVOCA - Elsie Bertha Pash was born at Minden Feb. 18, 1898. She was the daughter of Fred and Mary Ida Bein Blumer and was one of 11 children in the family. she attended school in Minden, completing the 8th grade.

She married Orville Pash of Bethany, MO Feb. 8, 1922 in Co. Bluffs. They were the parents of four children. They farmed near Minden for a short time and then moved to the Avoca area. She lived all her life in the Minden and Avoca area. In later years, they moved to Avoca. He died May 19, 1979. She was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church of Avoca. In 1985 she moved to Peace Haven Retirement Home in Walnut where she lived until 1991, when she moved to Salem Lutheran Nursing Home in Elk Horn. She died May 17, 1996 at the Salem Lutheran Nursing Home in Elk Horn at age 98 years, two months and 30 days.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Orville; five brothers, Herman, Walter, Arthur, Elmer and Clarence, and five sisters, Elizabeth Haas, Alma Schuning, Martha Patton, Bessie Parr and an infant sister, Hilda. She is survived by her children; Francis Pash and his friend, Betty of West Cliff, CO; Lester Pash (Virginia) of Anita; Donald Pash of Avoca and Edna (Victor) Nielsen of Walnut; 12 grandchildren; 19 great grandchildren; 10 great great grandchildren; a sister-in-law, Margaret Blumer; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held May 21, 1996 at the Knutson Funeral Chapel with Pastor Paul Bengston officiating. Burial was in the Graceland Cemetery. Casket bearers were Jay Nielsen, Kenneth Schuning, Dalmer Patton, Olin Pash, Darren Pash and Neal Pash.