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Annie Sophie Petersen, 91

IRWIN – Annie Sophie Petersen, daughter of James and Katie Petersen Hansen was born Oct. 30, 1897 near Irwin. She attended Polk No. 2 School, where she was an honor student. She stayed on the farm after completing her education and worked out until she married Chris Petersen March 23, 1947 at Merrill's Grove Baptist Church. They farmed south of Irwin. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Elk Horn. She died Feb. 3, 1989 at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan at age 91 years, 3 months and 3 days.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Chris in 1988; two sisters, Victoria Marks and one in infancy; and two brothers, Nels and George Hansen. Survivors include one daughter, Jean (Mrs Ned) Freestone of Adel; two sisters, Mabel Carlson of Audubon and Laura Hansen of Irwin; one brother, Louie Hansen of Denison; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Feb. 7, 1989 at Elk Horn First Baptist Church with Rev. Michael Marcum officiating Burial was in Merrill's Grove cemetery with Ray Ferry, Don Gessert, Archie Petersen, Darrell Mitchell and Alvin Armentrout serving as honorary casket bearers and Al Pospisil, Eugene Larsen, James Carlson, Bill Holloway, Richard Jensen and Merle Petersen serving as casket bearers. Arrangements by Burmeister Funeral Home.