



Clara Lillian Petersen, 93

Nov. 8, 1901 - Aug. 13, 1995

Harlan - Clara Lillian Petersen, daughter of Nicholas H. and Anne M. (Hansen) Ohms, was born Nov. 8, 1901, in rural Jacksonville. She attended Jackson #9 Copenhagen School through the eighth grade. She was baptized and confirmed in the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Jacksonville, and remained a member there until her death.

March 21, 1928, she married Joseph Franklin Petersen at her parents' home in rural Jacksonville. After their marriage, the couple farmed near Poplar. After his death July 8, 1970, she moved to Harlan. She became a resident of the Salem Lutheran Homes in Elk Horn in Aug. 1992. Besides her active membership at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, she was a charter member of the Jackson 1 Club. She died Aug. 13, 1995, at Myrtue Memorial at age 93, 9 months and 5 days.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband; two brothers, Henry Ohms and Hans Ohms; six sisters, Annie Ericksen, Ceilia Kemp, Elise Petersen, Nellie Christensen, Mabel Paddock, Emma Bricker, August 12, 1995; and one foster brother, Marion Hansen. Survivors include one daughter, Virginia (Richard) Johnson of Kimballton; one brother, Ivan Ohms of Menlo Park, CA; one sister-in-law, Winona Ohms of Walnut; three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Aug. 15, 1995, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Jacksonville. Officiants were Pastor LeVern S. Nielsen and Pastor Robert K. Fallgatter. Casket bearers were Amond Ohms, Eugene Kemp, Arlo Petersen, Marvin Ohms, Carl Petersen, and James Ericksen. Burial was in the Bethlehem Lutheran Cemetery in Jacksonville, Burmeister Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.