

## **Inez B. Petersen, 101**

**Sept. 28, 1895 - Feb. 8, 1997**

**ELK HORN** - Inez B. Petersen was born Sept. 28, 1895, to Hans and Marie Petersen at Elk Horn. She died Feb. 8, 1997 at the Salem Lutheran Nursing Home in Elk Horn, at age 101 as the result of a heart ailment. She grew up in the Elk Horn area and attended school there. She attended private high school because there were no public high schools at that time. Later she attended Dana College for one year. She received her bachelor of science degree at Drake University and her masters degree at Northwestern University in Evanston, IL.

She started her teaching career at Elk Horn and later returned to Dana College where she was dean of women and taught in the education department. She taught at several leading universities including: Northern State Teachers College, Illinois Normal, University of Nevada and the Cherokee Indian School in Oaks, OK. The last 20 years of her teaching career she was supervisor of all elementary grades in Sioux City. After her retirement, she returned to Elk Horn and helped in the family business along with her two sisters, Hilda Petersen and Anna Petersen Fries, and brother, Dick.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers; two sisters and a niece, Betty Fries Hansen. She is survived by her nephew, Earl Fries (LaVena) of Des Moines; two grand nieces and three grand nephews.

Funeral services were held Feb. 12, 1997, at the Elk Horn Lutheran Church with Pastor Michael Williams officiating. Burial was in the Elk Horn Lutheran Cemetery. Casket bearers were Joe Hansen, James Hansen, Kenneth Potts, Howard Hansen, Warren Jacobsen, Paul Hansen, Maurice Lykke, Gerald Petersen, Kenneth Hansen, Howard Sorensen and Leroy Pedersen. Steen Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.