

Aletha M. Halm, 76

Feb. 12, 1923 – April 9, 1999 ✓

ATLANTIC – Aletha Mae Halm was born on Feb. 12, 1923, in Co. Bluffs, daughter of August and Marie Jepsen Petersen, and was one of seven children in the family. She attended school in Shelby, and graduated from Shelby High School in 1941. Following graduation, she worked for the Telephone Company in Co. Bluffs.

She married Darelle Halm. They were the parents of a daughter, Deborah. Jan. 20, 1952, she was injured in a car accident. Following this she made her home with her parents until 1973. She then moved to Bettendorf, where she lived with her daughter, Deborah, and her family for seven years. She then moved to a care facility in Bettendorf where she lived until 1985, when she moved to the Atlantic Nursing & Rehab Center in Atlantic, where she shared a room with her mother. She died at the Atlantic Nursing & Rehab Center April 9, 1999, at age 76 years, one month and 27 days.

She was preceded in death by her parents; an infant brother, Raymond; and a sister, Mildred Luth. She is survived by her daughter, Deborah (Bill) Houston of Bettendorf; two grandchildren, Brian and Deanna; and three great grandchildren; a sister, Betty (Elwin) Bladt of Avoca; three brothers, Warren Petersen of Des Moines; Marland Petersen of Elk Horn and Delmer Petersen (Myrna) of Avoca; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held April 12, 1999, at the Knutson Funeral Chapel with Pastor Olen R. Adams officiating. Burial was in the Minden Cemetery.