

Vera Heesch, 92 ✓

Sept. 20, 1904 - July 8, 1997

AVOCA - Vera Bertha Kathryn Heesch was born Sept. 20, 1904, near Avoca, daughter of Albert and Dorothea Hansen Wolff. She was one of five children in the family. She went to high school one year in Avoca, before she had to quit to help her parents on the farm and with her brother and sisters.

She married Arthur Heesch Dec. 29, 1926. They lived in and near Avoca all their married life. They had three daughters, Betty, Elaine and Nadine. He died April 24, 1958. She worked in different places in Avoca until she was 79 years old. She also helped care for her grandchildren. She was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church, where she sang in the choir for many years. She was a member of the Women's Fellowship. Vera died July 8, 1997, at the Avoca Nursing and Rehab Center in Avoca, at age 92 years, nine months and 18 days.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Arthur; two daughters, Betty Campbell and Nadine Eggerss; a sister, Claudina Hinz; a sister-in-law, Margery Wolff, and three brothers-in-law, Joseph Piel, Fred Hinz and Carl Davis. She is survived by her daughter, Elaine (Alfred) Koll of Atlantic; a son-in-law, Paul Eggerss, Jr. of Shelby; 10 grandchildren; 16 great grandchildren; two sisters, Wanda Piel of Milwaukee, WI and Lola Davis of San Carlos, CA; a brother, Arnold Wolff of Santa Clara, CA; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held July 11, 1997, at the Trinity Lutheran Church, Avoca, with Pastor Paul Bengston and Lay Assistant Mr. Wayne Paulsen officiating. Burial was in Graceland Cemetery. Casket bearers were David Koll, James Eggerss, Brian Eggerss, Edward Headley, Stephen Koll, Alan Eggerss, Robert Eggerss, Kris Messinger and Richard Campbell. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.