

A. Marie Leistad, 82

March 21, 1912 - April 26, 1994

Elk Horn - A. Marie Leistad, daughter of Jens and Kirstine Hansen, was born March 21, 1912 in Clay Township. She died April 26, 1994 at the Salem Lutheran Nursing Home in Elk Horn at age 82 years. She was baptized and confirmed in the Elk Horn Lutheran Church.

Jan. 7, 1930, she married Einar Leistad at her parent's home. She was active with Senior Citizens and the community. She was one of the "Flower Ladies" at the Danish Mill. One of her favorite pursuits was attending the activities of her grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, March 11, 1991; her parents; two brothers, Harry and Carl; and a sister Anna. Surviving are three sons, Edward of Atlantic, Arnold (Vicki) of Atlantic, and Roger (Jane) of Spencer; two daughters, Elaine Hoffmann (Gene) of Lewis and Sonja Larsen (Richard) of Ottumwa; two sisters, Ethel Huckins of Eagle Grove and Alice Ferguson of San Luis Obispo, CA; eleven grandchildren; twelve step-grandchildren; twenty nine great grandchildren; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were April 29, 1994 at the Elk Horn Lutheran Church with Pastor Mike Williams, Pastor Harry Thomsen and Intern Eric Spake officiating. Burial was in the Elk Horn cemetery. Honorary casket bearers were: Nick Hoffmann, Jim Hoffmann, Bill Hoffmann, John Hoffmann, Eldon Norgaard, Bruce Carman, Tom McLaren and Tony Palmer. Casket bearers were: Lee Greve, Eric Larsen, Jason Leistad, Peter Greve, David Larsen and Jeffrey Leistad. Memorials may be given to the Marie Leistad Memorial Fund at the Shelby County State Bank, Steen Funeral Home, Kimballton, in charge of arrangements.