

Anna Larsen, 98 ✓

Jan. 12, 1907 - April 7, 2005

ELK HORN — Anna Luella Marie, daughter of James and Petra (Nielsen) Evans, was born Jan. 12, 1907, in Atlantic. She was baptized in the Congregational Church parsonage at Stuart July 26. She attended rural grade school and graduated from Atlantic High School in 1924. She enrolled in Boyle's Business College in Council Bluffs, and later worked as a stenographer for the Cambridge Law Firm in Atlantic. Anna often rode the train to visit her cousins in Elk Horn, and it was there that she met her future husband.

Ann and Harvey Clarence Larsen eloped at the age of 19 and were married in Glenwood Feb. 12, 1926. Three children, James Lewis, Beverly Jean and Barbara Joan, were born to this union. Anna and Harvey were both members of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church. During their farming years, they lived on several farms, and then retired to Elk Horn in 1968. After Harvey's death in 1975, Anna continued to live in their home until she became a resident of the Exira Care Center in 1996. Following several years of failing health, she died there April 7, 2005, at age 98 years, two months and 26 days.

Preceding Anna in death were her parents; husband; son; infant sister, Isabel; grandson, Brent Larsen; stepfather, Peter Faber; stepbrothers, Dick, Fred and Lee Faber; parents-in-law, Lewis and Minnie Larsen; three sisters-in-law, Daisy and husband, Jorgen Petersen; Lucille and husband, Lloyd Bauer; and Buelah and husband, Harvey Johnson. She is survived by daughters, Beverly (Toby) Henningsen of Elk Horn and Barbara (John) Jacobsen of Atlantic; daughter-in-law, Rose Ann (Robert) Poldberg of Kimballton; 12 grandchildren, Jordan Larsen (Pam); Joni Larsen; Ryan Larsen (Stacie); Gerry Henningsen (Jill); Randy Henningsen (Mary); Jamie Henningsen; Suzanne (Tom) VanBockern; Joel Jacobsen (Karen); Amy (John) Cook; Mark Jacobsen; Deborah (Loren) TeSlaa; and Karen Jacobsen (Chris) Oakley; 26 great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; four great step grandsons; four great-great-step grandchildren; stepsister, Jo An Hueton; step sisters-in-law, Grace and Helen Faber; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held April 11, 2005, at the Elk Horn Lutheran Church with Pastor Keith Menter, Elk Horn Lutheran Church, and Pastor Curtis Denny of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church, officiating. Burial was in the Elk Horn Lutheran Cemetery.

Honorary casket bearers were Anna's granddaughters, Joni Larsen, Amy Cook, Suzanne VanBockern, Deborah TeSlaa and Karen Jacobsen. Casket bearers were Gerry Henningsen, Jamie Henningsen, Mark Jacobsen, Randy Henningsen, Joel Jacobsen, Jordan Larsen and Ryan Larsen. Ohde Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.