

Lorraine Larsen, 78

Oct. 14, 1922 - Jan. 30, 2001

KIMBALLTON - Lorraine Verda, daughter of Peter L. and Ida Kyhnn Petersen, was born Oct. 14, 1922, near Exira. She attended local schools near her home.

Aug. 18, 1940, she married Glenn Larsen at the Lutheran Church in Lake View. Nine children were born to this union. They farmed in Sac County until 1945, when Glenn was inducted into the United States Navy. When he returned home in 1946, they lived and farmed south of Elk Horn, until 1959 when they moved to the farm they purchased northeast of Kimballton. She was a homemaker but she enjoyed being outdoors and helping with the farm work. She supplied the family with eggs from her laying hens for many years. She was a member of Bethany Lutheran Church near Kimballton. Glenn died in 1994 after which she remained on the farm. She was diagnosed with cancer in November of 2000. She was able to remain in her home on the farm with the care of her family. She died there Jan. 30, 2001, at age 78 years, three months and 16 days.

Besides her husband and parents, she is preceded in death by an infant daughter, Harriet; granddaughter, Karie Larsen; great granddaughter, Ashley Larsen; three brothers, Glen Petersen, Vernon Petersen and Donald Petersen; and sister, Eva Purcell. She is survived by eight children, Darwin Larsen (Betty) of Harlan; Lynn Larsen (Doreen) of Kimballton; Janet (Don) Jensen of Elk Horn; Randall Larsen (Marlys) of Walnut; Dale Larsen (Verlene) of Marne; Craig Larsen (Linda) of Phoenix, AZ; Neal Larsen (Brenda) of Guthrie Center; Todd Larsen (Marcy) of Kimballton; 22 grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren; two sisters, Elise Johansen of Audubon and Maxine (Jerry) Miller of Des Moines; one brother, Melvin Petersen (Virginia) of Exira; sister-in-law, Lola Petersen of Lewis; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Feb. 2, 2001, at the Bethany Lutheran Church, rural Kimballton, with Pastor John Swenson officiating. Burial was in the Bethany Lutheran Cemetery. Casket bearers were Karla Larsen, Brett Larsen, Brad Larsen, Amy Hoffmann, Jerod Jensen, Corey Jensen, Chantil Ellis, Nathan Larsen, Jennifer Cook, Mindy Larsen Poldberg, Brandy Rudy, Kate Krause, Tracy Ramsey, Candie Zahradnik, Christie Schoenrock, Angie Larsen, Matthew Larsen, Colby Larsen, Britni Larsen, Mandy Larsen, Jesse Larsen and Justin Larsen. Ohde Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.