



## Veronica Elizabeth Matthiessen, 90

July 21, 1900 — March 21,  
1991

**ELK HORN** — Veronica Elizabeth Matthiessen was born near Neola, July 21, 1900. She was the daughter of John and Mary Raftery Tracy. She was one of six children in the family. She attended school in Portsmouth. After her education, she worked at home and for neighbors.

She married Charlie Matthiessen, Jan. 23, 1923 at Portsmouth. They farmed in the Persia and Shelby areas. They were the parents of five children. They retired from farming and moved to an acreage near Walnut in 1960. She was a member of the St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Walnut; she belonged to a

Neighborhood Club at Shelby for 60 years and a birthday club. They had been married for more than 51 years when Charlie died July 6, 1974. She remained in Walnut until becoming a resident at the Indian Hills Nursing Home in Co. Bluffs, where she remained for five years. She has been a resident of the Salem Lutheran Nursing Home in Elk Horn since February of this year. She died at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan, March 21, 1991, at 90 years and 8 months.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Charlie; her parents; three sisters, Catherine, Ellen and Sr. Mary Monica; brothers, James and Francis Tracy; grandchildren, Gerard Schechinger and John McGinn and son-in-law, Virgil Jacobsen. Survivors are Teresa Ann (Carl W.) Martin of Walnut; Dorothy Mary (Valentine) Schechinger of Westphalia; Eugene Charles (Lois) Matthiessen of Omaha; Geraldine Mildred (Peter) McGinn of Co. Bluffs; and Rosemary Jacobsen of Omaha; 16 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held March 25, 1991 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Walnut with Fr. James Polich, officiating. Burial was in the St. Patrick's cemetery in Walnut. Honorary casketbearers were Colleen Matthiessen, Tim McGinn, Charles McGinn, Robert Buck, Lowell Buck, Roscoe Buck, Francis Schnitker, and Rick Root. Casketbearers were Dennis Martin, Patrick Martin, Mike Martin, Mike McGinn, Monte Schechinger, and Mark Schechinger. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.