

Elvira Kathryn Mumm, 89

March 12, 1908 - April 16, 1997

ELK HORN - Elvira Kathryn Mumm, daughter of Niels P. and Maren Luella (Nelson) Nielsen, was born March 12, 1908, in Jacksonville. She attended Jackson #2 Country School and in 1929 received her teaching certificate from Dana College in Blair, NE. While at Dana College, Elvira sang with the Dana College Choir, and toured Europe with them.

Oct. 7, 1932, she married Arthur Mumm in Dannebrog, NE. The couple ran small grocery stores in Jacksonville and Fiscus. Later, they operated dairy farms near Lyle, MN and Adel. In 1965, they retired to Co. Bluffs, and then made their home in Elk Horn, in 1987. In 1989, they became residents of the Salem Lutheran Home in Elk Horn, where Arthur died Sept. 26, 1990. She was a longtime member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Jacksonville, and had been active in the church choir and ladies' circles. She enjoyed spending her time sewing, singing and caring for her family. She died April 16, 1997, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 89 years, one month and four days.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband, Arthur Mumm; one brother, Ralph; and four sisters, Agnes, Harriet, Bessie and Anna. Survivors include three daughters, Gertrude (Leonard) Christensen, Ann Mumm-Render and Lou Mumm all of Springfield, MO; two sons, Arthur (Shirley) Mumm of Elkhorn, WI and Noel (Linda) Mumm of Missouri Valley; 11 grandchildren; eight great grandchildren and many nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held April 21, 1997, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Jacksonville, with Pastor Mary Lunde and Pastor Stan Nielsen officiating. Casket bearers were Scott Mumm, Randy Mumm, Stefan Mumm, Kurt Mumm, Norman Scott and Jack Jorgensen. Burial was in the Jacksonville Cemetery. Burmeister Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

