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Ann Ramson

Jan. 11, 1917 – Feb. 24, 2002

HARLAN – Ann Magdalena Ramson was born in Avoca, Jan. 11, 1917, to John and Johanna Andersen Madsen. She grew up in Shelby, where she graduated from high school with the Class of 1934. After working in her father's grocery store, she moved to Chicago, IL, where she lived for 17 years.

She married Wally Ramson in Chicago, IL, and they were later divorced. In 1959, she moved to Phoenix, AZ, and worked for many years as a receptionist in the beverage industry. She was a member of the Augustana Lutheran Church. She returned to Iowa in August of 2001, first residing in Corley, and later at Elm Crest Apartments in Harlan. She died Feb. 24, 2002, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 85 years, one month and 13 days.

Ann was preceded in death by her parents; her sister and brother-in-law, Claire and Cap Schwartz, and a nephew, Chris Sorensen. She is survived by her sister, Barbara Sorensen of Corley, and her children, Ann Hammer and Karen Sorensen of Harlan and John Sorensen of Denver, CO; a niece, Mary Claire (Veral) Heller of Lawton, and their sons, Rob Heller of Dakota Dunes, SD and James and Michael Heller of Kansas City, MO, and other relatives.

Memorial services were held March 4, 2002, at the Shelby Lutheran Church with Pastor Dale Jenson officiating. Burial was in the Shelby Cemetery.