

## Lucy Richards, 96

June 1, 1902 - Dec. 13, 1998 ✓

**SHELBY-** Lucy Marie Richards was born in Minneapolis, MN June 1, 1902 the daughter of Charles and Mary Miller Kenfield. She was one of three children in the family. She graduated from a vocational high school and then worked as a telephone operator.

She married Burton Richards Sept. 22, 1924 at Des Moines. They lived in several different towns in southwest Iowa moving to Shelby in 1944. They were the parents of one daughter, Avis. Lucy was active in the Presbyterian Church and its ladies circle, Eastern Star and the Federated Club. In 1984 they moved to Peace Haven Retirement Home in Walnut. Burton died March 13, 1988. She continued to live there until June of 1996 when she became a resident of the Salem Lutheran Homes. She died at Salem Lutheran Homes Dec. 13, 1998 at age 96 years, 6 months and 12 days.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and two brothers, Everette Mellinger and Earl Kenfield. She is survived by her daughter Avis (Ronald) Mortensen of Walnut, two grandchildren, Linda (Gale) Linden of Elk Horn and Richard Mortensen (Sue) of Griswold, and five great grandchildren, Jill (David) Niklasen, Alan Linden, Brad, David and Jenny Mortensen and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Dec. 16, 1998 at the Shelby Presbyterian Church with Rev. Dr. William Beatty officiating. Burial was in the Shelby cemetery. Honorary casket bearers were Henry Nash, Ralph Hansen, Tom Richards, Wayne Petersen, Clifford Palmer and Richard Enarson. Casket bearers were Gale Linden, David Niklasen, Donald Hansen, Richard Mortensen, Alan Linden and Eugene Clayton. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.