

Della Sorensen, 86

HARLAN — Della Ora Sorensen, the daughter of Jeppe and Carrie (Sorensen) Larsen, was born on a farm near Cuppy's Grove, south of Harlan, on Jan. 4, 1901. She attended school in Harlan, and graduated with the class of 1920.

On Dec. 2, 1920, she married Arthur Sorensen at her parents home. Four children were born to this union. After their marriage, they were engaged in farming near Kirkman and Rorbeck, until they moved into Harlan. After the death of Arthur on June 26, 1971, she continued to make her home in Harlan until 1976, when she became a resident of the Warren Memorial Nursing Home in Friend, NE. In 1984, she moved to the Arbor Manor Nursing Home in Fremont, NE. She died at the Dodge County Memorial hospital in Fremont on Oct. 19, 1987 at age 86 years, nine months and 15 days. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church, the Zenobia Rebekah Lodge, No. 286, and the American Legion Auxilliary, all of Harlan.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a grandson, Jack Plahn, who was killed in Vietnam in 1968; three sisters; Laura Lee, Grace, and Edna; and three brothers, Ray, Clarence and Edwin. She is survived by two sons, Robert of Miami, FL; Donald of Fayetteville, NC; two daughters, Arlene (Mrs Thorle) Plahn of Fremont, NE and Ruth (Mrs Charles) Treanor of Lancaster, PA; 17 grandchildren, 20 great grandchildren; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were Oct. 22, 1987 at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan with Rev. Brian Sherman of the Shelby United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial was in the Harlan cemetery with Rick Plahn, Jeffery Plahn, Thomas Plahn, Chris Thacker, David Sorensen, Martin Sorensen and Steven Sorensen serving as casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.