



**Etna Marie** *(Anton)*  
**Swensen, 93**

**HARLAN** - Etna Marie (Hansen) Swensen, the daughter of Chris J. and Dorothea (Fredericksen) Hansen was born Feb. 11, 1897, on a farm near Rorbeck in Shelby Co. She was the oldest of ten children. At the age of six years, she moved with her family into Harlan where she attended school and graduated from Harlan High School in 1915. After gradua-

tion, she taught rural school for three years.

April 6, 1918, she married Anton Swensen at the home of his uncle in Des Moines. They were the parents of three children. After their marriage, they farmed in Shelby Co. until 1969, when they retired and moved into Harlan. After the death of Anton on April 19, 1976, she continued to reside in her own home until Nov. of 1987, when she became a resident of the Baptist Memorial Home. This has been her home since that time. She died on April 20, 1990, at the Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan at age 93 years, two months and nine days. She was a charter member of First Baptist Church in Harlan, American Baptist Women, the S.I. Club, Lincoln Social Club and a birthday club.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a son, LeRoy; a daughter, Arlene; five brothers, Fred, Otto, Chester, Emory, and Harry; and one sister, Ruby. Surviving are her daughter, June (Paul) Scott of Harlan; her daughter-in-law, Elva Swensen of Harlan; two brothers, Woodrow and Marvin Hansen, both of Harlan and a sister, Alys Peterson of Riverside, CA.; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held April 23, 1990 at Pauley Funeral Home