

## Alice Simonsen, 79

*Nov. 28, 1925 - May 30, 2005*

**ELK HORN** — Alice Marie, daughter of Fred and Agnes (Christensen) Jacobsen was born Nov. 28, 1925, on the family farm south of Elk Horn in Clay Township, Shelby County. She was baptized and confirmed at the Danish Lutheran Church in Elk Horn. She attended Clay No. 7 grade school near her home and graduated from Elk Horn High School. She then worked in the Elk Horn and Harlan offices of the Squealer Feed Company.

Jan. 24, 1946, Alice married Egon Simonsen at the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church in Elk Horn. They farmed near Avoca until 1948 when they moved to her family's home place five miles south of Elk Horn. In 1964, Alice went to work as a cook at Salem Lutheran Homes and in 1967, began employment at the Shelby County State Bank. She retired in 1990 and in 1999 the couple moved into Elk Horn. Alice was a member of Elk Horn Lutheran Church where she was a member of the Wednesday Afternoon Bible Study Circle and served as church secretary/treasurer for many years. She was a charter member of the "Kid-A-Bit" Club in 1950, and volunteered at the Danish Immigrant Museum. She was an enthusiastic member of the Red Hat Society. Tireless and shameless promoters of Elk Horn, Alice and Egon were honored to be named 2001 Tivoli Fest King and Queen. May 30, 2005, Alice died at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 79 years, six months and two days.

Alice was preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by her husband of 59 years, Egon Simonsen of Elk Horn; three children, Steve Simonsen (Colleen) of Omaha, NE; Neil Simonsen of Willis, TX; Jana (Steve) Boettger of Harlan; seven grandchildren: Jon, Bradley, Ana, Adriana, Kurt, Kacy and Dane; three step grandchildren, Karen, Kim and John; 10 great-grandchildren: Ashley, Alyssa, Lindsey, Kara, Evan, Jenda, Ava, Dane, Cody and Ashley; a sister, Doris (Arnold) Gude of Elk Horn; sister-in-law Harriet (Allen) Peters of Sandy, UT; brother-in-law, Paul Simonsen (Shirley) of Walnut; nieces, nephews and cousins.

Funeral services were held June 2, 2005, at the Elk Horn Lutheran Church with Rev. Keith Menter officiating. Burial was in the Elk Horn Lutheran Cemetery. Casket bearers were Jon Simonsen, Bradley Simonsen, Anan Rongisch, Adriana Augustine, Kurt Boettger, Kacy Simonsen and Dane Simonsen. Ohde Funeral Home in Kimballton in charge of arrangements.