

Dorothy Swensen, 79 ✓

July 22, 1927 - June 27, 2007

KIMBALLTON — Dorothy Marie, daughter of Hans and Marie Florence (Christensen) Albertsen, was born July 22, 1927, at Omaha, NE. The family later moved to a farm east of Kimballton, where she attended rural school and graduated from Audubon High School in 1945. Dorothy soon began teaching at rural country schools near and in Elk Horn. In 1950, she obtained her teaching degree from Omaha University.

Dec. 29, 1950, Dorothy married Gaylord Swensen in Dallas, TX. The couple resided in the Omaha/Council Bluffs area where Dorothy continued her love of teaching in the Omaha, NE, Council Bluffs and Carter Lake schools until her retirement after 43 years in education. She was a confirmed member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Kimballton. She was generous with her time by volunteering at the library and senior center. In January of 2007, Dorothy's health began to fail and she soon became a resident at Eventide Nursing Home in Denison. She died there June 27, 2007, at age 79 years, 11 months, and five days.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Gaylord Swensen in 1994; brother, Harold Albertsen, and wife, Jo Ann; and two brothers-in-law, Levi Swensen and Hans Buckholdt. She is survived by three sisters, Martha Buckholdt of Hamlin; Margaret (Donald) Gust of Audubon; and Sharon (Dewey) Reis of Denison; sister-in-law, Jeannette Swensen of Harlan; and other relatives

Funeral services were held June 30, 2007, at the Ohde Funeral Home in Kimballton with Pastor David Loeschen of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Denison officiating. Casket bearers were Douglas Buckholdt, Ronald Buckholdt, Rick Buckholdt, Gregory Gust, Gary Gust, Steven Albertsen Michael Albertsen, Dudley Reis, and Darwin Reis. Burial was in Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery.