

Phoebe Gladys Wickersham, 94

May 20, 1897 — Dec. 30, 1991

IRWIN — Phoebe Gladys Wickersham, daughter of Samuel and Anna Miles Knauss was born May 20, 1897, near Defiance. She attended high school at Defiance. May 16, 1914, she married James S. Wickersham at Co. Bluffs. They moved to Irwin in 1921 and operated their own grocery store from 1929 to their retirement in 1961. She was an active member of the Irwin Church of Christ, a 50 year member of the Eastern Star and a charter member of the American Legion Auxiliary. She had been a resident of the Perry Masonic Home since 1980 and died at the Dallas County Hospital in Perry, Dec. 30, 1991, at age 94 years, 7 months and 10 days.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, James in 1983; two sons, George LeMoyné and Robert; two brothers, George and Sam and three sisters, Velma Hunter, Verna Kingsbury Halterman and Ruth Piper. Survivors include a son, Donald of Des Moines; a daughter, Leila (Mrs Dale) Halling of Perry and a sister, Mae Carroll of Omaha; 12 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great grandchildren; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Jan. 2, 1992, at the Irwin Church of Christ, with Rev. Ted Sieck and Rev. Clarence Potter, officiating. Burial was in the Oak Hill cemetery at Irwin with Jerry Wickersham, Jim Wickersham, Tom Wickersham, Jeff Fox, Bob Fox, Don Kingsbury and Wilbur Wetzel casket-bearers. Arrangements by Burmeister Funeral Home.