



## THE LIFE STORY OF — **Elva Fabian**

Elva Florence Fabian, daughter of James and Anna (Hess) Petersen, was born on a farm in Jackson twp., Shelby county, on Sept. 2, 1910. She died at her home in Harlan, on Oct. 31, 1976, at age 66 years, one month and 29 days. She attended the Jackson twp. No. 8 country school and grew to adulthood on her parent's farm. On Dec. 21, 1932, she married Waldo C. Mitten at Omaha, Nebr. After their marriage, Mr and Mrs Mitten farmed near Redline. After Mr Mitten's death in 1955, Elva Lutheran church in Jacksonville and had been a member there until 1974 when she joined the Immanuel Lutheran church in Harlan. She was also a member of the Zenobia Rebekah Lodge No. 286 I.O.O.F.

She was preceded in death by her parents; twin infant sisters; and by two brothers - Arnold and Earl Petersen. She is survived by a sister, Gladys (Mrs Chris Knudsen) of Jacksonville; two brothers - Lester Petersen of Guthrie Center and Leon Petersen of Jacksonville; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Rebekah services were conducted on Tuesday, Nov. 2, 1976, at Pauley Funeral home in Harlan, by the Zenobia Rebekah Lodge No. 286 I.O.O.F. Funeral services were held at the Immanuel Lutheran church in Harlan, on Wednesday, Nov. 3, 1976, with Pastor Clifford H. Nelson, pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church, officiating. Burial was in the Harlan cemetery, with Mrs Fabian's nephews Gary Knudsen, Darrell Krohn, Ricky Petersen, James Petersen, Robert Schafer and Kenneth Petersen serving as casketbearers.