

Florence Bornholdt, 86

Dec. 26, 1915 – July 27, 2002

HANCOCK – Florence Marie Bornholdt was born Dec. 26, 1915, on the Benedict farm west of Shelby, daughter of Andrew and Martine Christensen Petersen, and was one of four children in the family. She graduated from Shelby High School in 1934. After graduation, she cared for a number of elderly people in their homes. She moved to Blair, NE, where she worked for the Crowell Home later moving to Harlan, where she worked at the old Harlan hospital for Ida Murphey as a nurse's aide. She then went to work for the doctors' offices in Harlan, where she continued to work for 11 years.

After the war, Florence married Delmon Bornholdt Feb. 8, 1946, in Shelby. They were the parents of one son, Mark. After their marriage, they moved to a farm near Hancock, where she helped out on the farm. She was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, the Neighborhood 500 Club, the Birthday Club, a current member of the VFW and a past member of the American Legion Auxiliary. She died at the Salem Lutheran Home in Elk Horn, July 27, 2002, at age 86 years, seven months and one day.

Her husband, Delmon, her parents and two brothers, Harold Petersen and Clarence Petersen, preceded her in death. She is survived by her son, Mark of Hancock; a sister, Mrs. Inger Dillon of Council Bluffs; two sisters-in-law, Valora Petersen of Avoca and Harriet Petersen of Wakasha, WI; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held July 31, 2002, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Avoca, with Pastor Lou Hoger officiating. Burial was in the Graceland Cemetery. Casket bearers were Dave Niemann, Harley Dillon, John Pattee, Sidney Dillon, Terry Lippold and Kelly McMartin. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.