

Mabel M. Carlson, 88

Dec. 6, 1909 - Oct. 14, 1998

AUDUBON - Mabel Melinda Carlson, daughter of Jens C. and Katy Petersen Hansen, was born Dec. 6, 1909, on her parents' farm near Irwin, and died Oct. 14, 1998, at the Audubon County Memorial Hospital at age 88 years, 10 months and eight days.

She was baptized and confirmed at Merrill's Grove Baptist Church at Fiscus. She attended country school Polk No. 2 near her home and Irwin High School and grew to adulthood on her parents' farm.

Dec. 28, 1933, she married Albert F. Carlson at Shenandoah. They farmed near Irwin and Viola. In 1949, they moved into Audubon and continued to manage their farms. Albert died Aug. 7, 1984. She maintained her home until she became a resident of the Friendship Home in Audubon in 1988. She was a member of the Garden Club in Audubon.

Preceding her in death in addition to her husband were her parents; her brothers and sisters; an infant sister: George Hansen, Victoria Marks, Lewis Hansen, Sophie Petersen, Nels Hansen and Laura Hansen. Survivors include her children, Marilyn Davis of Storm Lake; Carol (Karl) Nolin of Spencer; Bonnie (Jim) Nelsen of Adel and James (Rosalie) Carlson of Kirkman; her grandchildren, Michael and Heather Davis of Kirkman and their son, Kevin Davis; Mark and Kym Davis of Van Meter and their daughter, Melinda Davis; Bill and Molly Nolin of West Des Moines and their sons, Braze and Quinn Nolin; Brook Nolin of Spencer; Debbie and Bob Ripperger of West Des Moines; Jeff and Melissa Nelsen of Adel; Ella Carlson; Aaron Carlson, both of Kirkman; her sister-in-law, Lydia Hansen of Elk Horn; her brother-in-law, Elmer Carlson of Atlantic; nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives.

Funeral services were conducted by Dr. Jerry Binns Oct. 17, 1998, at Kessler Funeral Home in Audubon. Burial was in the Arlington Heights Cemetery in Audubon. Casket bearers were her grandsons, Michael Davis, Mark Davis, Bill Nolin, Brook Nolin, Jeff Nelsen and Aaron Carlson.