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Ella Jensen, 94

May 9, 1906 - Jan 6, 2001

COUNCIL BLUFFS – Ella Agnes Jensen was born on May 9, 1906 in Avoca, the daughter of Jacob and Agnes Stricker Sieck. She was one of nine children in the family. She attended grade school at Center No. 5, and completed her eighth grade education at Fairview Township School in Shelby County. Ella then went to work as a "hired girl", helping in homes in the area whenever she was needed. She was "keeping house" for her dad, Jacob and her brother, Bill, when her father died July 8, 1940.

Ella married Herbert Jensen of Council Bluffs, May 6, 1941. They then moved to a farm 2 miles northwest of Crescent. In 1943 they moved to the Jensen family farm in Garner Township in Pottawattamie County. Herb and Ella celebrated 40 years of marriage May 6, 1981. Herb died from an accident March 29, 1982. Ella remained on the farm until October 1986, when she moved to an apartment in Council Bluffs. In January of 1990, Ella became a resident of the Salem Lutheran Retirement Home in Elk Horn. In September of 1992 she became a resident of the nursing facility at the Salem Home. She died Jan 6, 2001 at age 94 years, 7 months and 28 days.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Herb; her parents; her four brothers: John, Henry, Herman and Willie; and her four sisters: Alma Marsh, Minnie Pieper, Anna Rold, and Helen Lebeck. She is survived by her sisters-in-law: Lorene Sieck of Walnut, and Rose Jensen of Council Bluffs; a brother-in-law Ray Higginbottom of Council Bluffs; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Jan 9, 2001 at the Knutson Funeral Home with Celeste Waymire, Chaplain and Rev. Ted Sieck officiating. Burial was in the Grange cemetery, Pottawattamie, Co. Casket bearers were Harold Pieper, Dan Knudsen, Dennis Kolmbrunn, Leroy Larsen, Gary Lebeck, and Jerry Sieck. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.