

✓ Cecile Johnson, 98

March 23, 1907 - Aug. 30, 2005

PERSIA — Cecile Mae Johnson, daughter of William James and Eliza N (McGinness) Hutchison, was born March 23, 1907 in Hazel Dell Township, Pottawattamie County, and was one of six children in the family. She was baptized at Hazel Dell and confirmed at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in rural Neola. She attended Hazel Dell School until the eighth grade.

Cecile married Marvin Chris Johnson Oct. 29, 1930, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in rural Neola. After their marriage they farmed in the areas of Missouri Valley, Honey Creek, Hazel Dell and Persia. They were the parents of five children, Bernice, Mildred, Mary Jane, Duane and Eileen. She died Aug. 30, 2005, at her home in Persia at age 98 years, five months, and seven days.

Cecile is preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Marvin; one son, Duane; three brothers, Ben, Ray and Harvey "Pete" Hutchison; and two sisters, Elizabeth Kyle and Cora Hough. She is survived by her children, Bernice (Ralph) Baldauf of Omaha, NE; Mildred (Bob) Miller of Atlantic; Mary Jane (Keith) Peterson of Shelby; Eileen (Frank) Killpack of Neola; and a daughter-in-law, Marlene Johnson of Persia; 25 grandchildren; 52 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great-grandchildren and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Sept. 2, 2005, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Persia, with Pastor Duane Annunson officiating. Burial was in Valley View Cemetery in Persia, with Steve Suntken and Scott Suntken honorary casket bearers. Casket bearers were David Miller, Jim Baldauf, Jeff Killpack, Dean Killpack, Gail Peterson, Dennis Johnson, Steve Baldauf, and Rick Suntken. Pauley Jones Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

