

Audrey Nelson, 86

Jan. 18, 1920 - Oct. 29, 2006

DES MOINES — Audrey M Nelson was born in Harlan, Jan. 18, 1920, to Benjamin and Eva (Glandon) Shaw. Following her graduation from Harlan High School, she worked as a legal secretary at the Shelby County Courthouse.

Audrey married Sterling Nelson in 1942 and together they farmed near Irwin. She moved to Des Moines in 1964 and completed training as a Licensed Practical Nurse in 1966. She worked at various medical facilities in Des Moines for 19 years and retired from Ramsey Village in 1985. She resided at Stone Crest Apartments in Des Moines. She was very active in the Irwin community. She was a member of the Irwin Methodist Church and was a 4-H leader and judge. She died Oct. 29, 2006, at Kavanagh House in Des Moines at age 86.

Audrey was preceded in death by her parents and five siblings. She is survived by her two daughters, Rosella (Tom) Carpe of Des Moines and Mary (Rex) Surber of Leo, IN; four grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held Nov. 1, 2006, at Sunset Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Des Moines. Iles Funeral Homes-Grandview Park Chapel in charge of arrangements.