

## Bertha P. Dreyer, 98

**Walnut** — Bertha Pauline Breyer, daughter of Paul and Margareta Thompson Karstens, was born Sept. 10, 1880 near Walnut. She died Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1978 at Cass County hospital in Atlantic at age 98 years, 3 months and 16 days.

She attended the rural school. She married Fred Dreyer on Feb. 18, 1903 and they farmed in the Walnut, Harlan and Oakland areas. Mr Dreyer died in 1937 and she lived in Walnut, then in Atlantic, later entering the Miller Nursing Home and the Atlantic Care Center and had been in Cass County hospital since Nov. 26. She was a member of the Peace United Church of Christ in Walnut.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; five sisters, Christena M. Petersen, Anna M. Moritz, Alvena Welsch, Emma D. Thoning, Della H. Sievers; two brothers - William F. and Hugo P. Karstens; and a great grandson - Jeffrey Scott Martin. Survivors include three daughters - Mrs Carl (Juanita) Lorenzen of Walnut, Mrs Evelyn Martin of Atlantic and Mrs George (Myrna) Hanna of Davis, Calif.; two sons - Marvin and Norman of Oakland; a sister - Caroline Fischer of Walnut; 17 grandchildren; 29 great grandchildren and five great great grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Dec. 28, 1978 at the Peace United Church of Christ in Walnut with Rev. Bruno Romanowski, officiating. Burial was in the Walnut cemetery with Stanley Lorenzen, Donald Dreyer, Gary Dreyer, Kenneth Martin, Edward Dreyer and Roger Dreyer serving as casketbearers.