

## The Life Story of --

**Mrs Johann (Joe) Mikmak, 91**

Alice Josephine Mikmak

daughter of Bruno and Frederic Schneider Schuster, was born Nov. 1, 1883 on a farm northeast of Shelby Iowa. She died at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan, Iowa on Oct. 30, 1974, just 18 days before her 91st birthday. She attended country school near her home and then attended high school in Shelby for two years. In 1901 she moved with her family to Harlan where she helped in their home. Her assistance enabled her two younger sisters to attend and graduate from the high school in Harlan. Alice was confirmed in Lutheran faith and attended church services with her family. In later years she attended Methodist church in Harlan. On Sept. 24, 1931 she married Johann Mikmak in Minnesota. They made their home in Harlan and enjoyed traveling. Mr Mikmak preceded her in death on Febr. 11, 1959. In July of 1970 Mrs Mikmak became a resident of Baptist Memorial Home of Harlan. She spent much time and effort caring for others throughout her life, helping when nieces and nephews were born or there was sickness in the family. She also cared for her mother through her old age and later her husband. Even after she passed the age of 80, she continued to call on shut-ins and give comfort to her friends.

In addition to her husband, Mrs Mikmak was preceded in death by her parents; by four sisters - Mrs Louisa Boettger, Sarah Schuster and two twin sisters who died in infancy; and by four brothers - George, Edward, Alfred Schuster and an infant brother.

She is survived by one sister, Frieda (Mrs Clark Noe) of Hollywood, Florida and by six nieces and three nephews.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m., Friday Nov. 1, 1974, at Pauley Home for Funerals in Harlan with the Rev Larry LaVelle, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial was at the Shelby Cemetery, Shelby, Iowa with Glee White, Dale Eickhoff, Willard Jensen, Don E. Blakely, George Mortensen and Barney Zimmerman serving as casket bearers.