

## Shirley Albertsen, 75

July 20, 1929 - Aug. 22, 2004

**KIMBALLTON** – Shirley Ann Albertsen, the daughter of Thomas Otto and Laura Mathisen Soe, was born July 20, 1929. She was baptized at the pastor's home and confirmed at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Kimballton. She attended rural school in Audubon County. She worked various jobs after her schooling.

Shirley married Harry Albertsen June 25, 1948, at the Immanuel Lutheran Church. To this union two children were born, Thomas and June. After their marriage, they farmed north of Kimballton until 1962 when they moved into town. She started working at Crystal Springs Creamery in 1957 and worked there until it closed in 1989. Harry and Shirley worked many hours taking care of the AMVETS Post in Kimballton. They were very active with the AMVETS and the Auxiliary. After Harry's death in 1992, she moved to Harlan. In 2002 she moved to Salem Lutheran Home in Elk Horn. She died Aug. 22, 2004, at the Salem Home at age 75 years, one month and two days.

In addition to her parents, Shirley is preceded in death by her husband, Harry. She is survived by her children, Thomas Albertsen (Marcia) of Harlan and June (Cal) Rhoads of Elk Horn; five grandchildren, Tammi (Rob) Lear of Council Bluffs; Michael Albertsen of Polk City; William Albertsen (Janel) of Polk City; Matthew Albertsen (Jade) of Harlan; Michelle (Stan) Jens of Elk Horn; six great-grandchildren, Austin, Colton, Cory and Jacob Lear; Cody Jens; and Kylie Albertsen; one brother, Darrell Soe (Rosemary) of Elk Horn; sister, Marsha (John) Brown of Malvern; sisters-in-law, Elna Hartvigsen of Kimballton and Magda Esbeck of Elk Horn; brother-in-law, Milo Albertsen (Monie) of Mesa, AZ; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Aug. 25, 2004, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Kimballton, with Rev. Kevin Nelson officiating. Honorary casket bearers were Matthew and Jade Albertsen. Casket bearers were Michael Albertsen, Michelle Jens, William Albertsen, Stan Jens, Janel Albertsen, Tammi Lear and Rob Lear. Burial was in the Immanuel Cemetery in Kimballton. Pauley Jones Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

