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## **Nellie E. Berg, 96**

**Aug. 30, 1898 - Sept. 16, 1994**

**Clarks Grove, MN** - Nellie E. Berg was born Aug. 30, 1898, at Cuppy's Grove (near Harlan). A group of Danish immigrants, including her mother, settled in Cuppy's Grove and a strong Danish Baptist Church became the focus of their lives.

June 3, 1920 she married Rev. Neil C. Berg-another Danish immigrant-and settled into the busy life of a minister's wife. They were the parents of 4 children: Robert, Marlin (Bud), Kathleen and John. Rev. Berg's last pastorate was at the Clarks Grove Baptist Church. They continued to live in Clarks Grove until they moved into Thorne-Crest on the second day it opened in 1974. She was a member of the church since 1931. She was a piano teacher and learned many kinds of handwork as a young girl. She died at Thorne-Crest retirement home Sept. 16, 1994 at age 96.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Dora Nelson, husband Rev. Neil Berg, three sons; Robert, Marlin and John; two sisters, Esther Michiner and Irene Okerstrom; brother Herman Nelson; two grandsons, an infant and Kirby Berg, both sons of Marlin and Nadine Berg. She is survived by a daughter Kathleen Kleinpaste (Harold) of Green Lake, WI, daughter-in-law Nadine Berg of Albert Lea; two brothers, Arlow Nelson of Ankeny, and Marshall (Edith) Nelson of Harlan, eight grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sept. 19, 1994 at First Baptist Church, Clarks Grove with Pastor Tom Arbogast officiating. Burial was in Clarks Grove cemetery. Bonnerup Funeral Home, Albert Lea, MN in charge of arrangements.