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Elva Joy Blumer, 99

Aug. 11, 1894 - April 24, 1994

Shelby - Elva Joy Blumer was born at Minden Aug. 11, 1894, daughter of Louis and Ida Sengelmann Mischler. She was one of six children in the family. She attended school in Minden and graduated from Minden High School. Following her graduation, she taught country school in the area for several years.

She married Arthur Blumer Jan. 16, 1918. They were the parents of four children; Dorothy, Allen, Victorine and Joan. They made their home in the Shelby area. she was a member of the Eastern Star, Shelby Garden Club and the Shelby Methodist church. She also enjoyed playing cards and belonged to several card clubs. Arthur died March 21, 1965. She was able to remain in her own home until December of 1987, when she became a resident of the Colonial Manors Nursing Home in Avoca. She died at the Home April 24, 1994 at age 99 years, 8 months and 13 days.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Arthur, two daughters; Dorothy Blumer and Victorine Merryman, two grandsons; Steven Blumer and John Merryman, three brothers; Lloyd, Paul and Raymond Mischler and a sister, Marguerite Meyer. She is survived by a son, Allen Blumer (Joyce) of Shelby, a daughter, Joan (Dale) Wilson of Fillmore, CA, five grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, a sister, Myrtle Jesse of St. Louis, MO and other relatives.

Funeral services were held April 26, 1994 at the Knutson Funeral home with Rev. Doug Cue officiating. Burial was in the Shelby cemetery. Casket bearers were: Melvin Blumer, Donald Pash, Milton Meyer, Ron Kroll, Douglass Blumer and Dalmar Patton.