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Briggs, 96 July 22, 1913 - Dec. 9, 2009

HARLAN – Lucille Rasmussen Briggs was born on July 22, 1913, in Shelby to John and Nellie (McKeighan) Mowery. She was baptized in the Methodist Church and remained a lifelong member. Shortly after her birth, the family moved to Ocheyedan. They moved back to Shelby to farm after Lucille had completed the eighth grade. Lucille worked for several homes in the Shelby and Omaha areas as a

nanny and housekeeper.

Lucille was married to Thomas
Rasmussen on September 26, 1937,
in Harlan. They had one daughter,
Karen, and made their home on

different farms near Harlan, Shelby, and Minden. Lucille cooked at the

Leader's Café and the Minden Bowling Alley.

July, 22, 1979, she was united in marriage to Albert Briggs at the Little Brown Church in Nashua. They made their home in Harlan. She was a member of the United Methodist Church in Harlan. Lucille remained in Harlan after Albert's death in 1990. Due to her failing eyesight, she became a resident of Woodlands Rehabilitation Center in Council Bluffs in 2001, and it was there that she died on Wednesday, December 9, 2009, having attained the age of ninety-six years, four months, and seventeen days.

Lucille was preceded in death by her parents, both husbands, broth-

ers Lyle and Warren, and sister Elva. She is survived by her daughter Karen and her husband David Coenen of Council Bluffs, grandson Russell Sorbello of Omaha, sister Wilma and her husband Hugh Mortensen of Waterloo; other family members and friends.

Dr. Rev. David G. Swinton officiated the 2:30 p.m. funeral service on Saturday, December 12, 2009, at Pauley Jones Funeral Home in Avoca. Interment was held at the Shelby Cemetery in Shelby.



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