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Evelyn Buzzell, 89

Nov. 21, 1913 - Jan. 30, 2003

SHELBY – Evelyn Buzzell was born on a farm near Shelby, Nov. 21, 1913, the daughter of Fred C. and Mary Dorscher Petersen, one of three children born to the Petersen family. She was baptized and confirmed in the St. John's English Lutheran Church in Council Bluffs. She graduated from high school in Fort Collins, CO, and continued with her education over the years at Denver University.

Evelyn married Frank Buzzell July 5, 1935. They lived on a ranch in North Park, CO, for many years. They moved to a farm in Fort Collins. After selling the farm, they worked at some resorts in Wyoming and Colorado before settling on their farm near Shelby, in 1960. Frank died in 1971 and Evelyn continued living on the farm. She was treasurer of the East Pottawattamie Farm Bureau for a number of years and won an award for her soil conservation practices. She was an accomplished chef. She was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Avoca. She died Jan. 30, 2003, at Elm Crest Retirement Community in Harlan, at age 89 years, two months and nine days.

Evelyn is preceded in death by her husband, Frank, and a sister, Mary Lou Watkins. She is survived by a brother, Fred Petersen of Fort Collins, CO; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Feb. 3, 2003, at the Knutson Funeral Home with Pastor Lou Hoger and Lay Assistant Wayne Paulsen officiating. Burial was in the Minden Cemetery. Casket bearers were Dan Petersen, Robert Prokupek, Dave Thies, Bob Petersen, Dalmer Petersen and James Dea. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.