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Lois Chipman, 81

Aug. 1, 1921 - April 1, 2003

WALNUT – Lois Elaine Chipman was born Aug. 1, 1921, in Oakland, the daughter of Franklin and Bernice Potter Killion. Her mother died when she was 7 years old and Frank married Iva Inman who raised her and three siblings and added seven more children to the family. She attended country school and then graduated from Oakland High School with the Class of 1938.

She married Alvie Chipman on his 29th birthday, Dec. 2, 1941, in Shelby. They lived south of Avoca, then moved down near Oakland, then back to the same farm south of Avoca where they farmed for many years. In 1979, they moved to town. Lois died at the Cass County Hospital April 1, 2003, at age 81 years and eight months.

Lois was preceded in death by her parents; a sister, Naomi Robertson; and two brothers, Bobby and Carroll Killion. She is survived by her husband of 61 years, Alvie Chipman of Walnut; her two children, Linda Holst (Robert) of Walnut; and Ron Chipman (Penny) of Harlan; three grandchildren, Lori and Andy Blum of Marne; Jim and Lisa Wissler of Wall Lake; and Donnita and Mike Senn of Fort Worth, TX; 10 grandchildren, Holli, Steven and Scott Blum; Joel, Justin and Jared Wissler; Samantha, Timothy, Dylan Reid and Cody Webb; two sisters, Judy Weaver of Oakland and Jeanette Killion of Omaha, NE; five brothers, Lynel Killion (Viola) of Pueblo, CO; Kenneth Killion of Oakland; Roger Killion (Julie) of Grand Island, NE; Charles Killion (Fran) of Treynor and Jerry Killion (Jane) of Omaha; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held April 5, 2003, at the United Methodist Church in Harlan, with Rev. Ed Frank officiating. Burial was in the Walnut Cemetery. Honorary casket bearers were Holli Blum and Jared Wissler. Casket bearers were Andy Blum, Steven Blum, Scott Blum, Jim Wissler, Joel Wissler and Justin Wissler. Pauley Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.