

## Helen Violet Christensen - 91

*Feb. 18, 1910 - Sept. 10, 2001*

**ELK HORN** – Helen Violet Christensen, daughter of Jorgen and Marie (Iverson) Christensen, was born Feb. 18, 1910, six miles east of Elk Horn. She was baptized and confirmed into the Lutheran faith. She attended rural school near her home. After completing her education, she helped her family and worked in homes in the area. In 1947, when Selma Larsen became ill, she came to live with the Larsen family to help care for the children and with household chores. She lived with the family on the Larsen farm, one and one half miles south of Kimballton until 1975 when she moved with Vernon and Selma into Elk Horn. After the deaths of Vernon and Selma Larsen, she continued to live at home in Elk Horn until the time of her death Sept. 10, 2001 at age 91 years, 6 months and 23 days.

Besides her parents and Vernon and Selma Larsen, she was preceded in death by her four brothers: George Christensen, Hans Christensen, Harry Christensen and Royal Christensen and six sisters: Marie Christensen, Annie Juhler, Clara Quist, Rose Smith, Lillie Brehmer and Lizzie McKibbin; and Mark Larsen's wife Pat. She is survived by the Larsen family: Richard Larsen (Sonja) of Ottumwa, Mark Larsen of Nevada, Sonia (Dick) Vogel of Davenport, Paul Larsen (Kris) of Elk Horn, Margaret (Dan) Cooper of Davenport, and Lynette (Tom) Wall of Kimballton; their children: David Larsen, Sara Palmer, Eric Larsen, Amy Amstuts, Jay Grismore, Nelson Grismore, Belinda Jay, Jennifer Vogel, Margaret Vogel, Heather Kording, Amy Weber, Aaron, Adam and Evan Larsen, Emily and Jeremiah Wall; brother-in-law Earl McKibbin; sister-in-law Leona Christensen; nieces and nephews: Harold Juhler (Viola), Marie Ross, Violet Cardell, Lillie (Louie) Johnson, Alice Layland, George Smith (Mary Lee) and Arnold Brehmer (Georgia) and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Sept. 14, 2001 at the Immanuel Lutheran Church, Kimballton with Pastor John Swenson and Pastor W. Clayton Nielsen officiating. Burial was in the St. John's cemetery east of Elk Horn. Honorary casketbearers were: Harold Juhler, George Smith, and Arnold Brehmer. Casketbearers were: Richard Larsen, Paul Larsen, Mark Larsen, Dan Cooper, Dick Vogel and Tom Wall. Ohde Funeral Home, Kimballton, in charge of arrangements.