Ellen Hansen, 94

May 25, 1902 - Oct. 30, 1996

JACKSONVILLE - Ellen Hansen, daughter of Peter and Anna Sophie (Vester) Nymann, was born May 25, 1902, in Aalborg, Denmark. She was baptized in the Lutheran Church in Aalborg. At the age of two years she moved with her family to the United States and settled at Jacksonville, where her father ran a creamery and was butter maker for twelve years before farming in the Jacksonville area. She attended Jackson #5 School and was confirmed at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Jacksonville.

April 9, 1924, she married Hans N. Hansen in the Bethlehem Lutheran Church Parsonage in Jacksonville. To this union two sons and one daughter were born. They farmed southwest of Jacksonville until 1951, when they retired from farming. They continued to reside on the farm until Sept. of 1983, when they moved into Kimballton. They became residents of the Salem Lutheran Retirement Home in Elk Horn in 1987. After the death of her husband March 7, 1988, she continued to reside at the home until April of 1996, when she became a resident of the Salem Nursing Home. It was there that she died Oct. 30, 1996, at age 94 years, five months and five days. She was a member of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Jacksonville, and Stitch and Chatter Neighborhood Club.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a grandson, Richard Hansen in 1982, and her brother, Harold Nymann. She is survived by her children, Russell Hansen of Elk Horn; Vernon "Bob" (Verdell) Hansen of Harlan and Virginia (Lester) Petersen of Jacksonville; ten grandchildren; 16 great grandchildren and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Nov. 2, 1996, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Jacksonville, with Pastor Mary Ann Lunde officiating. Burial was in the Jacksonville Cemetery with Denny Cain, Jim Frederiksen, Kent Hansen, Dennis Petersen, Craig Petersen, Kevin L. Hansen and David Blumenstein casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.