

Britha C. Itse, 101

Nov. 28, 1891 — Dec. 17, 1992

IRWIN — Britha, daughter of Peder and Britha Ronnie Stockness, was born Nov. 28, 1891 in Pope County, MN. Her mother died when she was two weeks old and she was raised by Nels Raaums as her foster parents.

She attended schools near her home and then worked in the kitchen at St. Paul's Seminary where she met Alfred C. Itse. They were married Oct. 14, 1915 at Glenwood, MN. They made their home in Irwin, where he was serving as the minister at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. He served as pastor there for 42 years. She was treasurer of the Sunday school for 47 years and was an officer of the Ladies Aid for many years. After her husband's death in 1961, she remained in her home in Irwin. She entered the Salem Lutheran Home in Elk Horn in 1989 where she died Dec. 17, 1992, at age 101 years and 19 days.

Besides her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by a son, Donald, in 1982. Survivors include two grandsons, Daniel Itse (Lisa) of Fremont, N.H.; and Karl Itse and his fiancée, Donna McTigue of Framingham, MA.; four great-grandchildren, and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Dec. 19, 1992 at the St. Paul's Lutheran church in Irwin with Pastor Doug Mathison, officiating. Burial was in the Danway cemetery near Irwin. Casketbearers were Gilbert Hanson, Donald Wickersham, Alvin Bandow, Norman Wiig, Henry Olson, and Larry Kington. Ohde Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.