

## **Esther Jacobsen, 97**

*May 1, 1909 - Jan. 23, 2007*

**HANCOCK** — Esther M. (Rogers) Jacobsen was born May 1, 1909, in Hancock to Edgar and Bertha (Crouch) Rogers. She lived her entire life in Hancock. She graduated from Hancock High School in 1928 and has been active in the Hancock Alumni Association, being the oldest graduate.

Esther married Alfred C. Jacobsen Feb. 6, 1929, in Oakland. They raised their family on a farm east of Hancock. She was a 4-H leader, member of the Farm Bureau, and a longtime member of the Rebecca Lodge. She and Alfred were members of the United Methodist Church in Hancock for over 70 years. She was active in the Ladies Society of the church, secretary-treasurer of the Federated Club and an active supporter of the AHST Booster Club. In 1992, Esther and Alfred were voted #1 Sports Fan of the Year. She died at the Avoca Nursing and Rehab Center Jan. 23, 2007 at age 97 years, eight months and 22 days.

Esther was preceded in death by her husband of 65 years, Alfred, in 1993. She is also preceded by her parents, two sisters: Evelyn Collins and Ethel Roy; and five brothers: Floyd, William, Edgar, Woodrow and Robert Rogers. Survivors include her daughter, Bonnie M. Green (Robert) of Council Bluffs; her son, Dennis E. Jacobsen, Sr., (Lois) of Hancock; her grandchildren, Susan Green of Council Bluffs, Sandi Burmeister (Doug) of Hancock, Keith Green (Lisa) of Council Bluffs, Dennis E. Jacobsen, Jr., (Debbie) of Hancock, Steve Jacobsen (Renee) of Webster City, Curt Jacobsen (Lisa) of Avoca, Kevin Jacobsen (Peggy) of Avoca and Darren Jacobsen of Hancock; 16 great-grandchildren, two great-great-grandchildren; and other relatives.

Memorial services were held Jan. 27, 2007, at the Hancock United Methodist Church. Pauley Jones Funeral Home in Avoca in charge of arrangements.