

Millie Joens, 95 ✓

Aug. 23, 1910 - Aug. 12, 2006

MANNING — Mildred Edith, daughter of Elmer and Emma (Hass) Compton, was born Aug. 23, 1910, in Babcock, WI. She was raised in Manning by her mother and stepfather, Emma and George Wentzel. Millie was confirmed in the Zion Lutheran Church in Manning and attended Manning High School, graduating in 1928. She taught in a country school for one year, and then worked in Dr. V. R. Anderson's dental office until 1933.

Millie married Ben D. Joens Aug. 23, 1933 at Zion Lutheran Church in Manning. The couple made their home in Manilla and in 1937 they moved to Cherokee. They returned to Manning in 1943 when Ben went into business with P. H. Jones. For many years Millie and her husband owned and operated the Ben D. Joens Insurance Agency in Manning until Ben's death in 1973. Millie was very active in the community. She was a Girl Scout leader for several years, as well as a Cub Scout den mother. She belonged to several women's groups including the Garden Club, Progressive Club and Wa-Tan-Ya. She was a member of the altar society and helped with many church activities. She was involved with the Foreign Student Exchange Program in Manning. Following a broken hip, Millie became a resident at the Manning Plaza. After three years there, she died Aug. 12, 2006, at age 95 years, 11 months and 20 days.

Millie is preceded in death by her parents, husband and sister, Myrtle Ingraham. She is survived by her two children, Donna Rae Clothier (Mel) of Harlan, and Roger L. Joens (Annette) of Harvest, AL; her grandchildren, Jeff Clothier (Jill), Jennifer Lassner (Jason), Russell Joens (Casie), and Kim Joens; and great grandchildren, Elizabeth and Matthew Joens and Julia, Brody and Tyler Lassner.

Funeral services were held Aug. 16, 2006, at Zion Lutheran Church in Manning, with Rev. Patrick R. Sparling officiating. Burial was in the Manning Cemetery with Russ Joens, Kim Joens, Jeff Clothier, Jason Lassner, Mike Segebart and Mark Segebart casket bearers. Ohde Funeral Home in Manning in charge of arrangements.