

## Hazel M. Kaven, 85

April 3, 1911 - Nov. 14, 1996

**AVOCA** - Hazel Margaret Sophia Kaven was born April 3, 1911, at Treynor, daughter of Frank and Ella Mass Hopp, and was one of three children born to that union. She had two brothers, John, who died in infancy, and Arthur. She attended school in Minden and helped her parents in a dairy and poultry business.

She married Laverne Kaven July 10, 1928. They were the parents of three children. They lived in Minden until 1937 when they moved to Avoca. He was in the construction business and she was the bookkeeper for her husband's business besides being homemaker and mother. They retired from the construction business in 1971. She was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church. In 1991, they became residents of Colonial Manor Nursing Home in Avoca. He died Nov. 14, 1993. She died at the home Nov. 14, 1996, at age 85 years, seven months and 11 days.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Laverne; two brothers, John and Arthur, and a grandson, Kent Kaven. She is survived by her children, Byron Kaven (Jan) of Golden, CO; Joan (H.A. "Bing") Lohafer of Avoca and Dennis Kaven (Ann) of Des Moines; six grandchildren; nine great grandchildren; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Nov. 18, 1996, at the Trinity Lutheran Church, Avoca, with Pastor Paul Bengtson and Lay Assistant Wayne Paulsen officiating. Burial was in Graceland Cemetery. Casket bearers were Scott Kaven, Amy Sowder, Danny Kaven, Darrell Stamp, Adam Stamp and Dennis Turner. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.