

## Ruby Jensen Knudsen, 74

May 5, 1921 - March 29, 1996

**KIMBALLTON** - Ruby Jensen Knudsen, daughter of Jens A. and Anna (Pedersen) Anderson, was born May 5, 1921 in Douglas Township, Audubon County. She was baptized into the Lutheran faith and confirmed at Ebenezer Lutheran Church, located west of Audubon. She attended rural school Douglas #4. After completing eighth grade, she was employed as a housekeeper for several families.

Oct. 27, 1946 she married Henry Knudsen in Harlan. The couple first farmed near Poplar and in 1959 purchased a farm northeast of Jacksonville. In the fall of 1981 they sold their farm and retired to Kimballton. She became a resident of the Salem Lutheran Homes in Elk Horn Feb. 24, 1989. Her husband died March 16, 1989 at the Salem Home. She was a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Jacksonville, where she was active in the Women's Circle of the church. She was also a member of the Jackson One Club. She died March 29, 1996 at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 74 years, 10 months and 24 days.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband, Henry; and one sister, Christena Christensen. She is survived by one son, Jerald (Beverly) Knudsen of Charter Oak; two daughters, Janelle (Jim) Noel of Glenwood and Judith Knudsen of Kimballton; two brothers, Harvey Anderson of Harlan and Lester (Myrta) Anderson of Denison; one sister, Leona (Richard) Nelsen of Elk Horn and six grandchildren.

Funeral services were held April 1, 1996 at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Jacksonville with Pastors Mary Lunde and Steven Gronseth officiating. Casket bearers were Wayne Anderson, Bruce Anderson, Robert Atkinson, Richard Bonnesen, Dennis Littlejohn and Donald Christensen. Burial was in the Jacksonville Cemetery, Jacksonville. Burmeister Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.