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Hazel C. Kruse, 86



Hazel, daughter of B.J. and Ida C. Peterson, was born Aug. 17, 1903 on a farm in Elk twp., Buena Vista county. She attended country schools and graduated from Highview high school in 1921. Following high school, she entered nurses training at Sioux Valley hospital in Cherokee and graduated in 1925. She remained at Sioux Valley hospital as night supervisor, followed with duties as Assistant Superintendent of nursing until her marriage. She continued to practice her profession as a special duty nurse.

On May 1, 1929, she married Carl A. Kruse of Brooke twp. The first years of their marriage were spent living in Chicago, IL and in 1933 they returned to Buena Vista county to enter farming. They lived on the farm until they retired to Alta in 1961.

Three children were born to this union.

She was a lifelong member of the Trinity Lutheran church. She was active in the organization of the Ladies Missionary Society at Immanuel Lutheran church, she taught Sunday school and for 15 years she served as organist for Immanuel church. In later years, she was an active member of Trinity Lutheran church, Alta. She died at Buena Vista county hospital, Storm Lake on May 24, 1987, following a short illness at age 86 years.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and two brothers, Bert and Raymond. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs Eldo Schornhorst (DaMaris) of Harlan; Mrs Donavon Frederickson (Avonne) of Alta; and a son, Carl Wendell Kruse of Germantown, TN; seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs Vennice Mark (Ester) of Grand Rapids, MI; Mrs Ruth Getzmier of

Schaller and Mrs Curtiss Stevens (Ferne) of Rockford, IL.

Funeral services were May 28, 1987 at Trinity Lutheran church, Alta with Pastor John Chadwick, officiating. Burial was in the Scandinavian cemetery, Alta with C. Wayne Fredrickson, Steven Schornhorst, Paul Kruse, Dalton Fredrickson, Carol Peterson and Mark Kruse serving as casketbearers. Jones-Barker Funeral Home in Alta was in charge of arrangements.