

## Johanne Larsen, 86

Dec. 9, 1909 - March 10, 1996 HARLAN - Johanne Larsen, daughter of Fredrik Christian Theodor and Nielsine (Christensen) Thomsen, was born Dec. 9, 1909 in

Bjergby, Denmark.

She came to the United States after she married Paul M. Larsen Feb. 6, 1931 in Bjergby. The couple settled in lowa, where he had worked as a farmhand. They went to work for Edgar Larson in April of 1931. Beginning the next year, they rented that farm until 1936, when they bought their own farm in the Cuppy's Grove area. In March, 1941, they purchased and moved to a larger farm also located in the Cuppy's Grove area. The year 1948 brought yet another move, this time to a farm southeast of Harlan. This has been their home since that time. She was a member of Bethel Baptist Church in Harlan where she was active in the Missionary Fellowship and also a member of the Happy Home Club. She died March 10. 1996 at Jennie Edmudson Memorial Hospital at age 86 years, 3 months and one day.

Preceding her in death were her parents, four brothers, four sisters and one granddaughter. Survivors include her husband, Paul M. Larsen of Harlan (He died March 18); one son, Kenneth (Marlene) Larsen of Calistoga, CA; one daughter, Rosalie (Richard) Andersen of Harlan; eight grandchildren and 14

great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held March 13, 1996 at Bethel Baptist Church in Harlan with Rev. Roger Crawford officiating. Casket bearers were Lynn Kain, Reed Larsen, Gary Andersen, Leo Brooker, Joseph Clancy and Richard Larsen. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery. Burmeister Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

## Paul Moller Larsen, 92

Sept. 9, 1903 - March 18, 1996

HARLAN - Paul Moller Larsen, son of Andreas and Sine (Thomsen) Larsen, was born Sept. 9, 1903, in Vidstrup, Denmark. He grew to manhood and graduated from junior college there. Feb. 28, 1924 at age 20 he arrived in the United States to visit an aunt who lived in Co. Bluffs. He stayed in the United States for five years, working on farms around Harlan in the summers and in Co. Bluffs and Racine, WI in the winters. In 1929, he returned to Denmark for several months.

homeland that he became acquainted with Johanne Thomsen. He came back to the United States for another year, and then went back to Denmark to marry Johanne. After their Feb. 6, 1931 marriage in Bjergby, Denmark, the couple settled in lowa. They went to work for Edgar Larson in April of 1931. Beginning the next year, they rented that farm until 1936 when they bought their own farm in the Cuppy's Grove area. Jan. 23, 1940 he became a U.S. Citizen. In March 1941 they purchased and moved to a larger farm also located in the Cuppy's Grove area. The year 1948 brought yet another move, this time to a farm southwest of Harlan. This has been their home since that time. In Aug. 1994 he became a resident of the Baptist Memorial Home in Harlan while she remained in their home. She died March 10, 1996 in Co. Bluffs. He was a member of Bethel Baptist Church in Harlan. He died March 18, 1996 at the Baptist Memorial Home at age 92 years, six months and 9 days.

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granddaughter. Survivors include
one son, Kenneth (Marlene) Larsen
of Calistoga, CA; one daughter,
Rosalie (Richard) Andersen of
Harlan; one brother, Lars Larsen of
Vidstrup, Denmark; eight grandchildren
and 14 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held March 20, 1996 at Bethel Baptist Church with Rev. Roger Crawford officiating. Casket bearers were Lynn Kain, Gary Andersen, Leo Brooker, Joseph Clancy, Dwight Osborn and Brad Sorensen. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery. Burmeister Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.