

Mabel Lorenzen, 88

Jan. 25, 1915 - Nov. 2, 2003

WALNUT – Mabel Emelia Lorenzen, daughter of Carl William Johnson and Ricka Struss, was born Jan. 25, 1915, in Goodwin, SD.

Oct. 11, 1936, Mabel married Dalmer Lorenzen at the Lutheran Church in Sioux Falls, SD. Shortly after their marriage, they made their home on a farm near Avoca. They raised Black Angus cattle and during the 1950's and 60's, their hobby of raising game birds grew into the Dal-Mae-Sha Game Farm, where they raised partridges, pheasants and quail for sale, gifts and release into the wild. Mabel was active in the Avoca Garden Club, Federated, a member of the Myrtue Memorial Hospital Auxiliary as well as a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church in Avoca. She died Nov. 2, 2003, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 88 years.

In addition to her parents, Mabel was preceded in death by three sisters, Violette Egbert, Charlotte Irwin and Ruth Boelmann. She is survived by her husband, Dalmer Lorenzen of Walnut; her daughter, Shari (Jerry) Skoglund of Harlan; two grandchildren, Tammy (Craig) Phipps of Peyton, CO and Mike Skoglund (Renee) of Bloomington, MN; three great grandchildren, Adam and Andrea Phipps and Rob Skoglund; her sisters, Lola Jensen and Ione (Bud) Bush, both of Hills, MN; her brother, Norval Kraetsch (Alice) of Council Bluffs; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Nov. 6, 2003, at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Avoca, with Pastor Lou Hoger officiating. Burial was in the Graceland Cemetery in Avoca, with Greg and Marge Petersen, Gene and Maxine Sornsen, Gary and Ruth Lorenzen, Delno and Betty Holtz and Bob Jensen honorary casket bearers. Casket bearers were Craig and Tammy Phipps, Mike and Renee Skoglund, and Lon and Theota Nelsen. Pauley Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

