

## Helga Helene Lund, 82 ✓

Oct. 18, 1914 - July 21, 1997

**HARLAN** - Helga Helene Lund, daughter of Jens and Andrea (Kjeldsen) Petersen, was born Oct. 18, 1914, in Omaha, NE. She was baptized and confirmed in the Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church in Omaha. She attended the Omaha Public Schools, the University of Minnesota and was a 1943 graduate of the Nebraska Methodist Hospital School of Nursing. After completing her education, she was an instructor in the School of Nursing of Fairview Hospital in Minneapolis, MN.

Dec. 14, 1947, in Omaha she married Gaillard Lund. To this union, one son, Thomas Jay, was born. After their marriage, the couple lived on Gaillard's family farm located east of Harlan. They continued to live there even after their retirement from farming. She was a member of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Jacksonville, where she was active in the work of the Circles and was a choir member. At the age of 12, she began serving as a church organist, and continued to do so for over 50 years. She was the Bethlehem Lutheran Church organist for 20 of those years. She died July 21, 1997, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 82 years, nine months and three days.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband, Gaillard, March 19, 1993, and one brother, Elmer Petersen. Survivors include one son, Thomas Jay Lund of rural Harlan; one sister, Elna (Jens) Reerslev of Junction City, OR; one sister-in-law, Kay Petersen of Omaha; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held July 25, 1997, at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Jacksonville, with Pastor Mary A. Lunde officiating. Casket bearers were Jeff Petersen, Jim Petersen, John White, Kevin Borkowski, Dave Ohlinger and Jeff Garrison. Burial was in the Jacksonville Cemetery. Burmeister Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.