

Ione Muriel Maassen, 71

Oct. 23, 1920 — May 18, 1992

WALNUT — Ione Muriel Maassen was born in Harlan Oct. 23, 1920. She was the daughter of Thorwald and Mabel Andersen. She was one of three children in the family. She attended country school and graduated from the Avoca High School and graduated from the Avoca High School in 1939.

She married Francis Maassen Feb. 9, 1944 at Co. Bluffs. They were the parents of three children. They started farming in the Avoca area until 1958 when they moved to a farm north of Walnut, where they remained until their retirement in 1982, at which time they moved to the Peace Haven Retirement Home in Walnut. She was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church in Avoca. She died at the St. Joseph's Hospital in Omaha, NE., May 18, 1992. She had been a patient there for the past six weeks, at age 71 years, 5 months and 25 days.

She was preceded in death by her parents and an infant son. Survivors are her husband, Francis; their two daughters, Mary (Robert) Ferguson of Minneapolis, MN., and Peggy Mertz of Omaha, NE.; 5 grandchildren; a brother, Robert Andersen (Helen) of Hancock; a sister, Helen Wendt of Co. Bluffs; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held May 21, 1992 at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Avoca with Pastor Dean Sudman and Mr Wayne Paulsen, Lay Assistant. Burial was in the Graceland cemetery in Avoca. Casketbearers were Robert Andersen, Ted Andersen, Richard Maassen, Jim Maassen, Dale Maassen and Alan Maassen. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.