

## **Johanne Madsen, 93**

**SHELBY** – Johanne Christina Madsen was born in Leby (Aero), Denmark, Aug. 7, 1895. She was the daughter of Anders and Magdalena Andersen, one of eight children in the family. In 1913, she came to the U.S. and settled in the Audubon area where she met John Madsen, who she married in 1915. They lived for a short time in Avoca until they moved to Shelby to make their home. She and John operated a grocery store in Shelby for more than 30 years. They were the parents of two daughters, Claire and Ann. They also made a home for their grand-niece, Barbara Madsen, who was another daughter to them. She was a member of the United Lutheran Church in Shelby. John died in 1952. She continued to live in Shelby until a few months ago when she became a resident of the Baptist Memorial Home in Harlan. She died at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan on July 9, 1989 at age 93 years.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, John; two brothers, Anders Andersen and Jens Andersen; five sisters, Sena Rasmussen, Sophia Lauritsen, Matilde Jorgensen, Petra Laursen and Maren Madsen; one grandson, Chris Sorensen. Survivors include her children, Claire Schwartz of Corley; Ann Ramson of Phoenix, AZ.; and Barbara Sorensen of Co. Bluffs; four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held July 12, 1989 at United Lutheran Church, Shelby with Pastor Stan Nielsen, officiating. Burial was in Shelby cemetery. Casketbearers were Veral Heller, Robert Heller, James Heller, Richard Andersen, Walter Lehmer and Lyle Cody.