

Bessie Miller, 87

PERSIA – Bessie Velma Miller was born July 23, 1902 in Crawford Co. She was the daughter of Tom and May Laird Hillers. She was one of five children. She married Robert B. Miller Dec. 31, 1919. Five children were born to this union. They farmed near Persia and Logan until retirement in 1957 when they moved to Persia. Her husband died Aug. 24, 1970. She was a member of the American Legion Women's Auxiliary in Persia. She died Jan. 1, 1990 at Mercy Hospital in Co. Bluffs at age 87 years, 5 months and 8 days.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Robert; one son, Alfred Raymond, who died at birth; one brother, Lloyd and one sister, Nellie Lustgraff. She is survived by three sons, Virgil, Wayne and Loren all of Persia; one daughter, Anna Mae Schafer with whom she made her home; 12 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren; one brother, Floyd Hillers of Minburn; and one sister, Leone Best of Shelby; many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Jan. 3, 1990 at Schumacher Funeral Home in Persia with burial at Valley View cemetery. American Legion Service was Jan. 2, 1990 at the Funeral Home. Casketbearers were Larry Miller, Allan Miller, Dale Miller, Russell Miller, Steve Ingwersen and Lenny Burke.