

Violet Petersen, 88

Dec. 2, 1912 – Nov. 2, 2001

SHELBY – Violet Blanche Peterson was born Dec. 2, 1912, a few miles northwest of Underwood, in Hazel Dell Township, daughter of Peter and Anina Christensen Erickson and was one of five children in the family.

She married Clarence Peterson March 25, 1931, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church at Neola. They were the parents of four children, Keith, Paul, Bonita and Jeanette. She belonged to a sewing circle and was a member of the United Lutheran Church in Shelby, where she taught Sunday School for many years and to the ULCW and the Altar Guild. She died at her residence in Shelby, Nov. 2, 2001, at age 88 years and 11 months.

Violet was preceded in death by her husband, Clarence, who died June 13, 1983, and one brother, Howard Erickson. She is survived by her children, Keith (Mary Jane) of Shelby; Paul (Merry Lee) of Shelby; Bonita (Paul) Pfankuch of Boise, ID and Jeanette (Terrance) Kamr of Melrose, MN; 13 grandchildren; 28 great grandchildren; one sister, Ethel Jenson of Underwood; two brothers, Glen Erickson of Vero Beach, FL and Clinton Erickson of Neola; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Nov. 6, 2001, at the Shelby County United Lutheran Church with Pastor Dale Jenson officiating. Burial was in the Shelby Cemetery. Casket bearers were Kevin Kamm, Gail Peterson, Kirk Kamm, Daniel Pfankuch, David Peterson, Mark Pfankuch and Todd Mills. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.
