

Ethel Rudolph, 88

Aug. 24, 1916 - March 5, 2005

KIMBALLTON — Ethel Cara, daughter of Carl and Minnie (Johnson) Wisted, was born Aug. 24, 1916, at Dunn Center, ND. At age three, she moved with her family to Lake Park, MN, where they farmed and she attended school. Ethel was baptized and confirmed into the Lutheran faith.

March 3, 1950, Ethel married Henry Rudolph. They made their home on a farm near Exira. Three daughters were born to this union. Ethel and Henry moved into Kimballton in 1976 when Henry retired due to poor health. Ethel worked in the kitchen at Salem Lutheran Homes for a number of years. Her husband died Jan. 13, 1986, and Ethel remained in their home. She was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Kimballton and active in the Immanuel Woman's Club. When her health deteriorated she entered Cass County Memorial Hospital where she died March 5, 2005, at age 88 years, 6 months and 12 days.

Preceding Ethel in death are her parents; husband; two infant daughters; two sisters, Alice Olson and Dorothy Ulven; infant brother; special nephew, Marvin Johnson; and brother and sister-in-law, Harvey and Della Nelson. She is survived by her daughter, Donna (Cleo) Krause of Kimballton; sister, Blanche Johnson of Royal Oak, MI; two step-grandchildren; 5 step-great-grandchildren; 4 step-great-great grandchildren; special niece, Darlene Hansen and her family, Scott and Julie Hansen and family, Brent and Linda Hansen, and Shellie and Paul Madsen and family; and other relatives.

Memorial services were held March 9, 2005, at Immanuel Lutheran Church with Pastor Kevin Nelson officiating. Burial was in the Seventh Day Adventist Cemetery east of Kimballton. Honorary casket bearers were Scott Hansen, Brent Hansen and Shelli Hansen.