

Helen Sharp, 102

Jan. 9, 1906 - April 22, 2008

WALNUT — Helen Hulda Sharp, the daughter of Henry and Mamie Eggerstedt Jacobsen, was born on January 9, 1906 on a farm south of Walnut, IA. When she was in fifth grade in country school, the family moved to town. She attended school in town and graduated with the class of 1923. After her graduation Helen taught country school for four years.

Helen was united in marriage to Donald Sharp in June 1927. To this union three children were born: Dorothy, Donald and Roger. Donald was employed as a plumber so the family moved around quite a bit. She and Donald enjoyed dancing and movies when they were younger. For 20 years, Helen worked at Peace Haven so it was only natural that when she could no longer live on her own, she decided to make Peace Haven her home. She enjoyed her days at Peace Haven, having many friends there. She looked forward to the daily activities, the monthly tea parties and playing bridge. Helen took and passed her drivers test at the age of 100. She died on Tuesday, April 22, 2008 at the Atlantic Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Atlantic, IA having attained the age of one hundred two years, three months and thirteen days.

Helen is preceded in death by her parents and two brothers: Clarence and Harold. Survivors include her children: Dorothy Stanosek of Wild Rose, WI; her sons: Donald Sharp of Sun City, AZ and Roger Sharp of Burbank, CA; five grandchildren and five great grandchildren; nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Funeral services were held on Friday, April 25, 2008 at 1:30 PM at the Peace United Church of Christ with Pastor Gail Muckey as the clergy. Serving as casket bearers were Rex Sievers, Robert Holst, Max Bornholdt, Dennis Brix, Jim Tooley and Jack Osborn. Interment was held at the Layton Township Cemetery, Walnut, IA.



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