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LeEtta "Letty" Sievers, 78

Jan. 1, 1926 - Aug. 9, 2004

WALNUT — LeEtta "Letty" Irene Sievers, the daughter of Harry and Anna (Troll) Arentsen, was born Jan. 1, 1926, in Monroe Township, Shelby County. Because she was the first baby born in the new year, her parents were given a ton of coal. Letty's father died when she was three and her mother and brother, Burton, at age 13, took over the farming responsibilities. Letty attended country school and was a member of the graduating class of 1943 from Walnut High School. Upon graduation from high school, she worked at George Neff Real Estate in Walnut.

Aug. 28, 1946, Letty married Robert "Pete" Sievers at Seneca, KS. Two children were born to this union, Wayne and Allan. After their marriage, the couple resided at her mother's house and in 1948 moved to a farm where they currently reside. Letty died Aug. 9, 2004, at her home in Walnut, at age 78 years, seven months and eight days.

In addition to her parents, Letty was preceded in death by her brother, Burton. Survivors include her husband, Robert "Pete" Sievers of Walnut; her children, Wayne Sievers (Lori) and Allan Sievers (Diana), both of Walnut; seven grandchildren, Cole, Sarah and Connor Sievers and Valerie, Lauren, Tori and Trista Sievers; sister-in-law, Maxine Arentsen of Shelby; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Aug. 13, 2004, at the First Presbyterian Church in Walnut, with Pastor David Krueger officiating. Burial was in the Layton Township Cemetery. Casket bearers were Cole Sievers, Dennis Arentsen, Marlin Thompson, Arnold "Les" Brehmer, Robert Holst and Connor Sievers. Pauley Jones Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.