



Dexter Sorensen, 85

Jan. 5, 1923 - July 15, 2008

HARLAN — Dexter Ellen (Evans) Sorensen was born on January 5, 1923, to Thomas and Alta (Plumb) Evans in Sibley, IA. She was baptized in the Methodist Church and attended the Harlan Schools after moving here as a little girl. She graduated with the class of 1940 and went on to further her education at the Commercial Extension School in Omaha, NE.

February 4, 1942, Dexter was united in marriage to Willie Sorensen in Spencer, IA. Two children were born to this union: Dale and Donna. She became a full-time housewife and mother to her children, enjoying their activities with them and being involved in their lives. During the 1940's, Dexter and Willie owned and operated farms in Audubon and Shelby Counties. In February of 1954, they moved into Harlan where Dexter loved spending time with her family and her friends. She was an excellent cook and enjoyed having her loved ones around her. Dexter died on Tuesday, July 15, 2008, at Myrtue Medical Center in Harlan, having attained the age of eighty-five years, six months, and ten days.

Dexter is preceded in death by her parents, her husband Willie, her brothers: Gerald and Edward, and her sister Arlene Nelson. She is survived by her son Dale Sorensen and his wife Barbara of Urbandale, IA; her daughter Donna and her husband Barry Deuel of Harlan, IA; one granddaughter Amye and her husband Brian Love; three great-grandchildren: Bennett, Parker, and Ainsley Love; her sisters: Jane Clemson of Kearney, MO and Grace Ann Knudsen of Harlan, IA; nieces, nephews, other family members and many friends.

Funeral services were held on Friday, July 18, 2008 at Pauley Jones Funeral Home in Harlan, IA with Pastor Dave Swinton officiating the 10:00 AM service. Casket bearers were John Evans, Dale Sorensen, Jerry Barker, Jim Nelson, Stan Knudsen, and Verner Hansen. Interment was held at the Harlan Cemetery.



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