

Irene Florence Tingleff, 97

Oct. 4, 1897 - July 3, 1995

Avoca - Irene Florence Tingleff was born Oct. 4, 1897 at Elmwood, NE. She was the daughter of William and Emma Stanley Mapes and was one of six children in the family. The family lived many years in Lincoln, NE. She graduated from St. Ursula's Academy in York, NE. She took nurses training at Dr. Bailey's Sanitarium in Lincoln, NE.

She married Harry Tingleff in Casper, WY Dec. 14, 1925 and they were the parents of a daughter, Carol Lee. The family came to Avoca in 1936. Harry worked for Iowa-Nebraska Power Company until 1952. He died April 20, 1978. She was a member of the United Church of Avoca and the ladies group. She enjoyed sewing, was a member of a Crochet Club, a Past Matron of Eastern Star and a member of P.E.O. She died at Myrtue Memorial Hospital July 3, 1995 at age 97 years, 8 months and 29 days.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Harry; three sisters, Mabel Johnson, Pam Sterling and Nelle Bennett; two brothers, Stanley and Claude Mapes and a grandson, Jeffery Kinder. She is survived by her daughter, Carol Lee (Charles) Hills of Providence RI, two grandsons, nieces, nephews and other relatives. Funeral services were held July 10, 1995 at the United Church of Avoca with Pastor Paul Bengtson and Lay Assistant Wayne Paulsen officiating. Burial was in the Graceland Cemetery. Casket bearers were Ralph Ridnour, Ernest Wendt, Maynard Willet, James Leslie, Robert Paulsen and Marvin Piittmann. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.