

Opal Teter, 100

April 9, 1901 – Dec. 13, 2001

COON RAPIDS – Opal Inez, daughter of Frank and Rhoda Ann (Knight) Trucks, was born April 9, 1901, at Old Carrollton in Carroll County. She attended school in Old Carrollton and then started high school in Coon Rapids.

June 9, 1920, she married Berthal Teter. Ten children were born to this union. She was a homemaker and spent most of her life with her family on a farm south of Coon Rapids. At one time she was employed by Armour and Company and Garst and Thomas Seed Corn Company. When they left the farm, they moved to Guthrie Center where her husband died in 1967. She moved back to Coon Rapids and lived in a Senior Citizens apartment. Opal was a member of Wesleyan Methodist Church in Guthrie Center. She entered the Thomas Rest Haven Nursing Home in Coon Rapids in January of 1991 and died there Dec. 13, 2001, at age 100 years, eight months and four days.

Besides her husband and parents, she is preceded in death by son, Morris, in infancy; grandson, Joe Lee Hanson; and all her brothers and sisters, Ross Trucks, Gurney Trucks, Troy Trucks, Fannie Lambert and Mamie Trucks. She is survived by her children, Darlene Wilson of Pleasant Hill; Gene Teter of Littleton, CO; Kenneth Teter (Gladys) of Coon Rapids; Pat Nielsen of Audubon; Donna (Carl) Bylund of Avoca; DeWayne Teter (Rose) of Ogden; Richard Teter (Fabiola) of Arroyo Hondo, NM; Jo-Ann Knowles of Iowa; and Sharon Crissey of Ottumwa; 28 grandchildren; 54 great grandchildren; 10 great great grandchildren; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Dec. 17, 2001, at the Ohde Funeral Home in Coon Rapids, with Kent Coffey of the Crossroads Church, Avoca, officiating. Burial was in the Orange Township Cemetery, Coon Rapids. Honorary casket bearers were her granddaughters. Casket bearers were Rick Teter, Clarence Teter, Bruce Hanson, Robert Crissey, Merle Teter, Jeffery Hanson, Jerry Crissey, Shane Teter, Royan Teter and David Crissey.