

Lydia A. Wede, 95

May 21, 1902 - Aug. 20, 1997

SHELBY.- Lydia Amanda Wede was born in Shelby, May 21, 1902. She was the daughter of Adam and Emma Messerschmidt Kiesel and was one of 13 children in the family. She attended school in Shelby.

She married Albert Wede Oct. 7, 1923, in Shelby. She is wearing her wedding dress as she requested. Following their marriage, they moved to Illinois where they resided until 1941, when they returned to the Shelby area. They were the parents of four sons, Ernest, Alfred, William and Raymond. He died Dec. 4, 1968. She was a member of the United Lutheran Church in Shelby. She became a resident of Longview Nursing Home in Mo. Valley, in December of 1993. She died at Longview Nursing Home in Mo. Valley, Aug. 20, 1997, at age 95 years, two months and 30 days.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Albert; a son, William, and two grandchildren, Rose Ann and Charles Wede. She is survived by her three sons, Ernest Wede (Alice) of Mo. Valley; Alfred Wede (Gen) of Atlantic and Raymond Wede (Audrie) of Gray; a daughter-in-law, Betty (Ken) Berg of Shelby; one brother, Carl Kiesel (Jeanie) of Shelby; three sisters, Celia Bargaquast of Shelby; Elsie Messerschmidt of Gainesville, Fl and Edna (Melvin) Boll of Walnut; 12 grandchildren; 19 great grandchildren and one great great grandchild; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Aug. 23, 1997, at the United Lutheran Church, Shelby, with Pastor Stan Nielsen officiating. Burial was in the Shelby Cemetery. Honorary casket bearers were Donna Wede, Nancy Templeman, Sheila Rudolph, Connie Johnson, Lisa Hoaglund and Shannon Pitt. Casket bearers were Alfred (Sonny) Wede, Jr., Ronald Wede, Rodney Wede, Ernest Wede, Jr., Michael Wede, Mark Wede and Scott Wede. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.