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Ellen Bernice West, 81

Feb. 2, 1913 - May 18, 1994

Odebolt - Ellen Bernice West of Odebolt was born Feb. 2, 1913 in Elk Horn, NE to Cornelius and Henrietta Augusta (Bargenquast) Albertsen. She was baptized at age 2 in the Lutheran Church. Her school years were spent attending Manilla schools.

May 2, 1937 she married Ralph DePalma West of Irwin at Rockport, MO. Their first several years of their marriage, they lived on a farm between Irwin and Manilla, then they moved to a farm south of Odebolt. She worked as a bank clerk at Odebolt State Bank for 23 1/2 years. She was a member of United Methodist Church and Women's Circle and the Order of Eastern Star. She died May 18, 1994 at her home in Odebolt at age 81.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother Albert Albertson, formerly of Manilla. She is survived by her husband, Ralph, son and daughter-in-law, Russell (Marlene) West, Bloomfield, IN, two granddaughters, 6 great-grandchildren and two step-great-granddaughters.

Eastern Star Services were held at Farber and Ottoman Funeral Home in Odebolt May 20 by Eastern Star No 349 O.E.S. Services were held May 21 at the United Methodist Church with Rev. Harold E. Schirm officiating. Casket bearers were Don Cowlham, Russell Paulson, Daryl Cleveland, James Scott, Dennis Sykes and Dale Sykes with burial in Odebolt cemetery.