

Christena Wasserman, 92

March 30, 1913 - May 1, 2005

BEATRICE, NE — Christena H. Wasserman was born March 30, 1913, at rural Diller, NE; to John and Gesina DeVries Lottman and was baptized and confirmed at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Diller, NE. She graduated from Diller High School.

Christena married Herbert C. Wasserman July 1, 1934, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Diller, NE. They lived in Wymore for 26 years before moving to Beatrice in 1963. She worked at Marshall Produce in Wymore for 16 years and was then employed at the Beatrice State Developmental Center as a cook for 15 years, retiring in 1978. She is a former member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Diller, St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Wymore and was currently a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Beatrice where she was a member of the Lutheran Women Missionary League. She died May 1, 2005, at the Parkview Care Center in Beatrice, NE, at age 92.

Christena was preceded in death by her parents John and Gesina DeVries Lottman; her husband, Herbert, who died July 13, 1993; two sons, Lyle and Leon Wasserman; two great-great-grandchildren; four brothers, Fritz, Theodore, Robert and Harry; and six sisters, Folena Sasse, Anna Gebhardt, Grace Baumfalk, Katherine Koch, Gertrude Todd and Cena Wasserman. Survivors include two daughters, Marian Niday of Beatrice, NE and Linda Pethoud (Ron) of Harlan; two sons, Dennis Wasserman (Betty) of El Reno, OK and Leo Wasserman (Bonnie) of Byers, CO; two daughters-in-law, Wilma Wasserman of Claremore, OK and Sandy Wasserman of Blue Springs, NE; 18 grandchildren, 29 great-grandchildren and nine great-great-grandchildren; five sisters-in-law, Winona Lottman, Erna Lottman, Johanna Lottman and Sophie Weber all of Beatrice, NE and Stella Henrichs of Marysville, KS; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held May 4, 2005, at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Beatrice, with Pastor Douglas D. Irmer and Pastor Timothy W. Wagner officiating. Burial was in the Prairie Home Cemetery in Diller, NE. Fox Funeral Home in Beatrice in charge of arrangements.

