

Karen Marie Hansen, 89

ELK HORN — Karen Marie Hansen, daughter of Peder and Anna Jensen Andersen, was born in Hune Sogn, Denmark on Sept. 1, 1888. She died June 18, 1977 at the Salem Nursing Home in Elk Horn. Her mother died when Karen Marie was 12 and she took the responsibility of raising her four brothers and two sisters. She came to the United States at age 23 and settled near Kimballton. On Dec. 25, 1918 she married Andrew Hansen and to this union three children were born. After their marriage they farmed in the Fiscus area until 1942 when they moved to a farm close to Audubon. Upon retiring they moved into Audubon and when her husband died she moved to her son's home, living there until Febr., 1975 when she went to the Salem Nursing Home. She was a member of the Merrill's Grove Baptist church.

She was preceded in death by a son Victor in 1933, her husband in 1964, and her daughter, Naomi Steen in 1975, two brothers Chris and Niels and a sister Marie Ana. Survivors include a son, Stanley S. Hansen of rural Kimballton; nine grandchildren; six great grandchildren; two brothers: Jim Andersen of Calif. and Andrew Andersen of Denmark; a sister, Hedvig Nielsen of Denmark and a number of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at Merrill's Grove Baptist church in Fiscus on Tuesday, June 21, 1977 with Rev. Mark Jervis and Rev. Harry Thomsen, officiating. Burial was in Merrill's Grove cemetery with Victor Julius, Carl Norgaard, Merle H. Petersen, Russell Petersen, Ray Rasmussen and Roy Wittrup serving as casketbearers.