

# Ane Marie Jessen, 95

Ane Marie Jessen was born Jan. 3, 1889 in Hygum S. Julland, Denmark. She was baptized in the Lutheran faith in Denmark. Her parents were Soren and Regina (Kock) Pedersen.

She came to the U.S. when she was ten years old. She was confirmed in the Exira Lutheran church, Exira. On March 20, 1907 she married Andrew P. Jessen. They were the first couple to be married in the Old church.

She and Andrew farmed for a time West of Exira and then moved to Askov, Minn., before WWI. Here they lived until retiring in 1960. He died in 1969, and she moved to the Salem Lutheran Home in Elk Horn in 1971.

She died at the Home in Elk Horn Feb. 24, 1984 at the age of 95 years.

She is survived by one daughter: Regina Recke of Minneapolis, Minn.; three sons: Martin and Clarence of Arkov, Minn. and Marvin of Des Moines; 16 grandchildren; 44 great grandchildren and 23 great great grandchildren; and one sister: Meta Mortensen of the Salem Lutheran Home in Elk Horn. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; one son: Elmer; two daughters: Martha Jessen and Alice Abrahamsen; one grandson, seven great grandchildren; and two brothers: Clemen and Jorgen Petersen.

Funeral services were held Monday, Feb. 27, 1984 in the Exira Lutheran church, Exira, with Pastor Walter Behrens officiating and Pastor Harry Thomsen, assisting. Burial was in the St. John's cemetery, rural Exira with Marvin Jessen, Clarence Jessen, Martin Jessen, David Jessen, Gary Jessen and Richard Jessen serving as casketbearers.