

## THE LIFE STORY OF —

### DELMA MATHISEN, 93

Delma Marie Mathisen, daughter of Andrew Petersens was born Dec. 9, 1882 in Denmark. She died May 14, 1976 at the Salem Lutheran Nursing Home in Elk Horn, at age 93 years, 5 months and 5 days. Delma and her family moved from Denmark to New York at an early age and here she acquired her formal education. She moved to this area as a young woman, where she met and married Beier Mathisen and to this union three children were born. They farmed in the Jacksonville area for over 50 years and after the death of her husband in 1961 she retired to several near by towns. In 1970 she became a resident of the Salem Lutheran Nursing Home and here she spent her remaining years.

Mrs Mathisen was preceded in death by her parents, her husband - Beier, one son - William, three brothers - Martin, Neil and Peter and one great granddaughter in infancy. Survivors include a son - Henry of Elk Horn, one daughter - Enid (Mrs Oscar Phelps) of Mesa, Ariz., two sisters - Mrs Jennie Cline and Mrs Ella Olsen, of Brooklyn, N. Y., by five grandchildren, 22 great grandchildren, many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Monday, May 17, 1976 at Hansen Chapel - Elk Horn Salem Lutheran Retirement Home with Chaplin J. Harry Thomsen, officiating. Services were conducted by Burmeister Funeral Home with burial in the Jacksonville cemetery, with Richard Mathisen, Monte Jespersen, Randy Jespersen, Scott Jespersen, Kenneth Creees and Daniel Creees serving as casketbearers.