



Della W. Baldwin

October 26, 1917 - August 21, 2011

Della Wilma Baldwin was born to Amelia (Messing) Meyer and Henry Meyer of Alexandria, Nebraska on October 26, 1917. She passed away on Sunday, August 21, 2011, in Beatrice, Nebraska at the age of 93 years, 9 months and 26 days. Della was the oldest to two children. Della attended country school, but later completed the 8th grade in Alexandria. Della lived at home helping her parents and brother Floyd on the farm northeast of Alexandria. Often she and her mom would spend an afternoon fishing. Della and Dea were married on April 2, 1940 at the Thayer County Courthouse in Hebron, Nebraska. They lived on the farm southwest of Tobias, Nebraska. To this union two children were born. Both Della and Dea loved the farm. Both were very hardworking people. Della worked in the fields along side Dea, she did chores, raised chickens, planted garden and flowers, cooked and canned, and cared for her home and children. They enjoyed getting together with friends for an evening of cards or dancing. In 1976 they retired and moved to Tobias then in 1992 they moved to Daykin. Della was in moderately good health and still able to plant a garden, care for her flowers and spent a lot of hours doing embroidery work. In 2007 she fell and broke her hip, but was still able to live in her Daykin home with assistance, then in October of 2010 she had another fall, and it was determined that she should move to the Beatrice Manor in Beatrice, Nebraska. Della was preceded in death by her husband, who passed away in April of 1998, her parents Henry and Amelia and her brother Floyd. She is survived by a daughter Wilma Francis of Lincoln, NE a son and daughter-in-

law Raymond and Barbara Baldwin of Daykin, NE and by six grandchildren Ronda and Bill Oaks of Papillion, Jon and Amy Francis of Lincoln, Matthew and Joely Francis of Greenwood, IN, David and Alissa Baldwin of Omaha, Stephanie and Adam Gudenkauf of Des Moines, IA and Lori and Michael Bunch of Beatrice, NE and by 12 great grandchildren.

Funeral services are 10:00 a.m., Thursday, August 25, 2011, at the United Methodist Church in Daykin, Nebraska. Visitation is Wednesday, from 2 p.m. until 8 p.m., at the Farmer & Son Funeral Home-Kotas Chapel in Milligan, Nebraska. Interment is the Ohioa Public Cemetery, Ohioa, Nebraska.