

Jennie Johnson Totzke 7-9-98

The funeral for Jennie Johnson Totzke, 89, of Groton was held at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Groton on July 7, 1998. The Rev. Steve Swenson officiated. Burial was in the Groton Union Cemetery with Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel of Groton in charge of arrangements.

She died Wednesday, July 1, 1998, at her home in Groton.

Jennie Ness was born August 15, 1908, to Erick and Anna Marie (Osness) Ness at Pierpont. She grew up and attended school in the Pierpont area. She married Ruben L. Johnson on September 12, 1928, at Augustana Church, rural Claremont. They lived on a farm in Riverside Township, north of Groton. He died in 1969 and she moved into Groton.

She married Arthur Totzke on August 14, 1982, at Groton.

She was a member of Augustana Church until she moved to Groton. She became a member of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Nigeria Circle of the church, American Legion Auxiliary, Senior Citizens at Groton and ABC Club. She was an original member of the Handicraft Club.

Survivors include her husband of Groton; two sons, Merton (Ella) Johnson of Groton and Lyle (Mary) Johnson of Houston; one daughter, Arlys (Keith) Zoellner of Manhattan, Kan.; one brother, Harry Ness of Britton; two sisters, Lillian Clemens and Annie Tunheim, both of Aberdeen; seven grandchildren; and six great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, one son, two brothers and one sister.

Casketbearers were Roger Johnson, Jerome Ness, Emery Sippel, Elden Tunheim, Dennis Johnson and Lyle Tunheim.

Arlis Doeden was the organist and Gene Brolin was the soloist.

Ushers were Dennis K. Larson and Mick Osterman.