

ANDERSEN, Cecelia Marie (Smith)

July 24, 1888
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Cecelia Andersen

Funeral services for Cecelia M. Andersen were held Thursday, Dec. 1, 1983 at 2:00 p.m. at Our Savior's Lutheran Church. Rev. Charles Lindgren officiated. Mrs. Dottie Larsen was the organist. Special music was by Mr. Vernon Andersen who sang "My Jesus I Love Thee" and by Mrs. Phyllis Holm who sang "In The Garden". The congregation sang "Our Father Has Light In His Window" and "A Mighty Fortress". Pallbearers were Fred Holmberg, Robert Holmberg, Lee Andersen, Gary Andersen, Lauren Voog and Bruce Voog.

Prayer services were held Wednesday, Nov. 30th at 7:30 p.m. at the Fraternal Funeral Home. Mrs. Dottie Larsen was the organist and the special music was by Mr. Alan Ward.

Interment was at Rosehill Cemetery, Viborg, S.D.

OBITUARY

Cecelia Marie Smith was born on July 24, 1888 to Hans Peter and Kjestine (Findall) Smith on a farm near Irene, S.D. and passed away at the Pioneer Memorial Nursing Home on Sunday afternoon after a short stay. She had celebrated her 95th birthday last summer.

She received her grade school education in the Smith school near her home. She attended school at Madison and Grand View College in Des Moines and taught school near Parker and in her home district before her marriage. Her marriage to Henry M. Andersen took place at the Smith home on Sept. 25th, 1912. From then until Henry's death in 1954 they farmed northeast of Centerville.

Six children grew to adulthood: Oscar Andersen, Glendale, Ca.; Ellen Jensen, Des Moines, Iowa; Mayme Holmberg and Vernon Andersen, Centerville, S.D. One five year old son, Lawrence died in 1922; her son Harry was killed in the Korean conflict; and her daughter, Priscilla Voog died in 1964.

Cecelia led a full and productive life, caring for her family. She was active in the Rose Cottage school district and was one of the early 4-H leaders in Lincoln County, enjoying her work with the young girls in the area. She was a faithful member of Our Savior's Lutheran Church and LCW. After the death of her husband she moved to Viborg in 1957, where she made her home for twenty - six years. Her concern for the needy has kept her busy in her retirement years knitting mittens and quilting in the winter months and gardening in the summer. Cecelia lived in her own home until a stroke on Oct. 20. After a stay in the hospital she was admitted to the Nursing Home on Sunday afternoon.

She is survived by two sons, two daughters, 20 grandchildren and 23 great grandchildren who have truly been blessed.

CARD OF THANKS

To the wonderful people of this community, a heartfelt thanks for all your acts of kindness both to Mama in her frail years and to us during this past week. We thank you for the cards, the memorials, the food - and especially your friendship.

Oscar Andersen & family
Ellen Jensen & family
Mayme Holmberg & family
Lowell Voog & family
Vernon Andersen & family