BERTELSEN, Hattie (Henningsen)

December 24, 1894
Viborg - first child born in Viborg
August 22, 1975
Viborg

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FUNERAL SERVICES HELD TUESDAY FOR HATTIE BERTELSEN

Funeral services for Hattie Bertelsen were held on Tuesday, August 26, 1975, from Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Viborg. Pastor Donald Love officiated Organist was Mrs. L. J. Rasmussen and soloist was Mr. Vernon Andersen who sang "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" and "Beyond the Sunset". A congregational hymn, "What A Friend We Have In Jesus" was also sung. Pallbearers were, Robert C. Goodhope, Robert Wrage, Glen Gaddis, Raymond Jespersen, Harvey W. Jensen, and Carl L. Hansen. Interment was in Bethania Cemetery.

Hattie Henningsen was born December 24, 1894, at Viborg, South Dakota. Her parents were Niels and Hedevig Henningsen.

Hattie was the first baby born in the city of Viborg as it now stands. Her mother passed away at the time of Hattie's birth and she was reared in her grandparents home.

For many years Hattie was a clerk in the old Corner Store which is now the site of the Jack & Jill Store.

On December 15, 1920, she was united in marriage to Karnus Bertelsen. They farmed west and south of Viborg until they built their own home in Viborg, and moved into it in December of 1950.

Karnus passed away March 3, 1951.

The last three years, Hattie's health had been failing. Before that time she had spent much of her time assisting at the funeral home, answering the phone, and comforting others in their loss of loved ones and being concerned about her friends and loved ones.

She was a member of Our Savior's Lutheran Church.

Although Hattie had no children of her own, she loved children and several families and their children became part of Hattie's family. She helped care for and loved them and watched each one grow and in her quiet manner has left an imprint on many of us.

Friday evening, August 22nd, Hattie was suddenly taken ill and passed away. She had reached the age of 80.