

Obituary

Rachel Susan Palmer

Rachel Susan Palmer, 91, of Lincoln passed away at the Ambassador Nursing Home on January 26, 2008. She was born to Owen and Lizzie (Whittaker) Palmer on July 17, 1916 in Blue Springs, Nebraska. Rachel graduated from Blue Springs High School in 1934.

During World War II she worked at Dempster Manufacturing in Beatrice making artillery shells. She also worked at the Beatrice State Home. In 1953 she moved to Lincoln and worked at the Nebraska Ortho-pedic Hospital until it closed. She then worked at Tabitha Nursing Home until she retired. For fifteen years, beginning in 1984, she volunteered at the Nebraska Health and Human Services Department in the mail room. For her service to the State she received a commission in the Nebraska Navy in 1999. For several years she participated in early morning shallow-water aerobics at the YWCA.

Rachel was a member of Christ United Methodist Church. She also was a member of, at various times, Eastern Star, the Rebekahs, and the AXIS business and professional women's club.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Owen and Lizzie Palmer, sisters, Helen Massie and Hazel Palmer, and brother-in-law, Edward Massie. Rachel is survived by nephews Ronald Massie and wife Madelyn, of Lincoln, and Roger Massie and wife Lori, of Council Bluffs, Iowa; nieces Janice Vinderslev and husband Chris, of Friend, and Joyce Hansen and husband Dale, of Lincoln. She is also survived by 14 great-nephews and nieces and many great-great-nephews and nieces.

Funeral services will be held 3 p.m. Wednesday, January 30, 2008 at the Lincoln Memorial Funeral Home, 6800 S. 14th Street.

Burial: Lincoln Memorial Park Visitation: one hour prior to services.

Memorials in Lieu of Flowers: Christ United Methodist Church American Cancer Society.