



## Alta Cox Junkins

August 6, 1899 - December 22, 2003

Alta Cox Junkins: Alta M. ""Betty"" Cox Junkins passed away on Monday afternoon, December 22, 2003 at the New Sharon Care Center in New Sharon, IA at the age of 104 years, 3 months and 16 days.

She is survived by one sister, Leola Palmer of Dysart, IA; four nieces and their husbands: Arlene & Bill Schoonover of Dysart, Pat Garske of Janesville, WI, Marilyn & Jerry Wood of Oskaloosa, and Janet & Michael Papian of West Des Moines, IA; one nephew, Jerry Baker of What Cheer, IA.

Alta was born on Sept. 6, 1899 in Tama County, Iowa to James and Celia Ann Lewis Cox. She was a 1917 graduate of Dysart High School and a 1919 graduate of Iowa State Teachers College(U.N.I.). After graduation, she taught one year at Steamboat Rock, before moving to Oskaloosa to teach 3rd grade at Whittier School, she taught there 28 years. Alta spent many summers studying at the University of Colorado. She retired in 1948 and on September 4, 1948, she married Harold Junkins; together they made their home in Oskaloosa. Alta enjoyed traveling, reading, and solving the scramble word puzzles in the Des Moines Register. She was a member of the First Christian Church, Oskaloosa Retired Teachers Association, Gingham Girls, and a 50 year member of White Shrine and over an 80 year member of O.E.S. She was a past member of the Women's Club, Farm Bureau, and the Hospital Auxiliary.

She is preceded in death by her parents and her husband, Harold, who passed away on April 29, 1972; and two nephews: Jim Palmer and Garry Lewis.

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“ *Alta Cox Jenkins*

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