

Mary L. Martin, 69

Harlan - Mary Leona Martin, daughter of Raymond and Maude Evans Davis, was born on a farm in Harrison county just east of Persia on Aug. 13, 1910. She attended country school and Tenant grade school and grew to adulthood on her parents's farm.

On April 9, 1930, she married Francis Martin in Logan. Seven children were born to this union. They made their home in Persia until 1951 when they moved to Logan. In 1957, they moved to Harlan and this has been their home since that time. They would have celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this coming April.

Mrs. Martin died at Jennie Edmundson Memorial hospital in Co. Bluffs, on Monday, Jan. 28, 1980, at age 69 years, 5 months and 15 days. She was a member of the Persia United Methodist church.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by twin granddaughters - Joanne and Rosanne Marco; and a brother, Wilbur Davis. Survivors include her husband, Francis, of Harlan; five sons - Marion, Marvin, Merlyn, and twins, Merrill and Melvin, of Harlan; two daughters - Minnie (Mrs Leland Marco) and Mary (Mrs Donald Andersen), both of Harlan; 16 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; two brothers - Raymond and Robert Davis, of Shelby; seven sisters - Elsa McKeighan of Long Beach, Calif., Martha (Mrs Rudy Felgentreff), Margaret (Mrs Victor Brodersen), and Alyce (Mrs Vernon Petersen), of Harlan, Esther (Mrs Herb Becker) of Tennant, Bertha (Mrs Charles Gramkow) of Hancock, and Frances (Mrs Leslie Lawrence) of Ames; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan on Wednesday, Jan. 30, 1980, with Dr. Larry LaVelle, pastor of the First United Methodist church in Harlan, officiating. Burial was in the Harlan cemetery with Mark Martin, Neal Martin, David Martin, Daniel Martin, Rickey Martin, Michael Martin, Scott Andersen, Rick Lundy, Roger Jensen, and Bradney McQueen as honorary casketbearers and Larry Elias, Richard Joy, Duane Gramkow, W.J. Champlin, Leonard L. Kay, Edward Yearington, A.J. (Gus) Ecker-mann, and John Raymond McKeighan serving as casketbearers.