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## Mabel Barnett, 99

May 31, 1907 - Aug. 2, 2006

HARLAN — Mabel May Barnett, daughter of Martin and Gertrude (Baker) Fymbo, was born May 31, 1907, in Turin. She attended Onawa Schools.

March 15, 1941, Mabel married Ray "Barney" Barnett in Pensacola, FL. After their marriage, Ray installed telephone systems in many southern states and in 1944, in Saudi Arabia. In 1948, they purchased a home in Oklahoma City, where he continued to install communication systems. In 1967, after his retirement, the couple moved to Harlan, to be near Mabel's mother, Gertrude. Mabel was a member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Harlan. In 1993, she became a resident of Salem Lutheran Retirement Home. It was there that she died Aug. 2, 2006, at age 99



years, two months and two days. In addition to her parents, Mabel was preceded in death by her husband, Ray, in 1992; her sisters, Marie Parent and Goldie Roth; and a brother, (James Jr.) Timber Fymbo. She is survived by a niece, Arline LeClaire of Lakeland, FL, and her family and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Aug. 4, 2006, at Pauley Jones Funeral Home with Pastor Heather Ploen officiating. Burial was in the Onawa Cemetery with Anker Rasmussen, John Watts, Richard A. Jones and Mike Mikels casket bearers.