

Thelma Henderson, 92

Aug. 1, 1914 - Sept. 23, 2006

SHELBY — Thelma Salome Henderson, daughter of Andrew and Salome (Haas) Henderson, was born on her family's farm Aug. 1, 1914, near Tennant. She attended and graduated from the Tennant Independent Consolidated School District in May of 1932. After her graduation, she continued to live on the farm with her parents. Sept. 4, 1947, Thelma's father died and she and her mother continued to live on the farm until February of 1950, when they moved to Shelby. April 3, 1950, Thelma began to work with L.O. Stoker at the Farmer's Savings Bank in Shelby. In 1951, she was elected Town Treasurer and held that position until 1968. She continued to work at the bank for 38 years until her retirement as vice-president in 1988. Thelma was a longtime member of the Shelby United Methodist Church. Thelma remained at her home in Shelby after her retirement until September of 2004, when she moved to Harlan and became a resident of the Elm Crest Retirement Community. It was here that she died Sept. 23, 2006, at age 92 years, one month and seven days.

In addition to her parents, Thelma was preceded in death by her brother, Ralph Henderson. She is survived by her nephew, Gary Henderson (Pat) of Las Cruces, NM, and their daughters, Kelly and Michelle; her sister-in-law, Elsie Myers of Harlan; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at Pauley Jones Funeral Home - Avoca Chapel, Sept. 16, 2006, with Rev. Orris Drake officiating and Glen Hipner, Robert McLaughlin, Jim Zimmerman, David Robinson, Ron Myers and Dennis Huttman casket bearers.

