

Jennie M. Hopp, 89

Nov. 4, 1907 - Sept. 30, 1997

HARLAN - Jennie Mathilda Hopp, daughter of Jens P. and Mathilda Carlson Ogesen, was born Nov. 4, 1907 at Neola. She was baptized and confirmed at Neola, and attended school in Neola. She graduated from Neola High School where she played basketball and was active in high school activities, especially plays.

Jan. 26, 1930, she married Arthur Albert Hopp at Neola. To this union two sons were born. They farmed in the Minden area until 1935, when they moved to Harlan and operated a milk route and sold bulk milk for 30 years. They sold the delivery service in 1943, but continued to operate the dairy farm until 1962. In 1952, they bought the first dozer that later evolved to Hopp Construction Company. After Art's death March 10, 1982, Jennie continued to live in Harlan. She was a member of the Congregational United Church of Christ in Harlan. She worked part time at the Harlan Produce until it closed. Sept. 18, 1967, she became employed by Myrtue Memorial Hospital starting out as a nurses aide, a ward clerk and in 1969 going into the dietary department. She retired from the hospital Dec. 24, 1988. She was very artistic and many of her oil paintings can be viewed in the Harlan area. She became a resident of Salem Lutheran Home July 17, 1997. It was there that she died Sept. 30, 1997, at age 89 years, ten months and 26 days.

In addition to her parents and her husband, she was preceded in death by her brother and sisters, Alma Ogesen, Yudit Andersen, Esther Barnesberger, Mabelle Krueger and Ever Ogesen. She is survived by her sons, Donald Hopp (Carol) of Harlan and Franklin Hopp (Sylvia) of York, PA; four grandchildren; ten great grandchildren and one great great grandchild and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Oct. 3, 1997, at the Congregational United Church of Christ in Harlan, with Rev. C.G. "Gary" Nienkamp officiating. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery with Larry Hopp, Keith Hulsebus, Gary Hopp, Jervis Sterler, Bryce Hopp and Mark Hulsebus casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.