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Monica Kleffman, 96 July 22, 1918 - Dec. 6, 2014

HARLAN — Monica N. Kleffman was born July 22, 1918 in Buck Grove to the late John and Sarah (McAndrews) Smith. She graduated from Manilla High School in 1936.

Monica married Harold M. Kleffman on December 30, 1946. They were blessed with nine children. The Kleffmans made their home in Portsmouth for many years before moving to Harlan in 1983. Monica taught country school; taught at St. Mary's Catholic School in Ports-



mouth for 7 years and was a homemaker. She was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan. Monica passed away December 6, 2014, at Myrtue Medical Center in Harlan at age 96.

In addition to her parents, Monica was preceded in death by her husband, Harold M. Kleffman in 2001; sons, James Joseph Kleffman in infancy, Joseph F. Kleffman in 2008; sisters, Catherine Jokerst, Margaret F. Gross; brothers, John, William J., Joseph, Francis and Gene Smith. She is survived by her children, Sarah M. Kleffman of Harlan, Mary T. Schaer of Ankeny, Theresa (Tom) Jacobs of Harlan, Martha (Al) Rios of Omaha, John Kleffman of Harlan, Thomas M. (Tracy) Kleffman of Portsmouth, Michael (Julie) Kleffman of Harlan; 6 grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren; sisters-in-law, Marian Smith of Avoca, Sally Smith of Earling; many nieces, nephews and friends.

Visitation with the family was held Tuesday, December 9, 2014 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. with a Wake Service at 7:00 p.m. at St.

Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan. Funeral Mass was Wednesday, December 10, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Michael's Catholic Church with Father John Frost, pastor, as the celebrant. A lunch followed in the parish hall. Memorials are suggested to Shelby County Catholic Schools.

Cutler-O'Neill MEYER-WOODRING Funeral Home & Crematory

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