



Grace Gaer, 83

Kirkman — Grace Laura Gaer, daughter of William A. and Laura J. Musselman Comstock, was born on a farm in Shelby county near Tennant, on Nov. 17, 1896. She attended country school and grew to adulthood on her parent's farm.

On July 22, 1919, she married Lloyd Gaer in Harlan. One son, Eugene, was born to this union. They farmed in Polk twp. and were privileged to celebrate their golden wedding anniversary in July of 1969. After Lloyd's death in Feb. of 1976, Grace moved to an apartment in Harlan and later became a resident of the Baptist Memorial Home. This has been her home since that time. Mrs. Gaer died at the Myrtue Memorial hospital in Harlan on Tuesday, Feb. 26, 1980, at age of 83 years, three months and 9 days. She had been a long time active member of the Red Line Church of Christ.

In addition to her parents and her husband, she was preceded in death by two brothers - Earl and William Comstock; and a sister, Edith Elmquist. Survivors include her son, Eugene, of Kirkman; two grandchildren - Sharon (Michael) Morton of Newton, Kans.; and Tom Gaer of Irwin; and three great-grandchildren, Greg Gaer and Amy and Alan Morton; four sisters - Vera Tucker and Luella Savereide, of Harlan; Leatha (Mrs Hugo) Hansen of Gray and Eva (Mrs Chris) Petersen of Avoca; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at the Red Line Church of Christ at Kirkman; on Friday, Feb. 29, 1980, with Mr. Tim Mills, officiating. Burial was in the Red Line cemetery, Kirkman, with Warren Gaer, Harold Nyrup, Max W. Thygesen, Donald J. Dahlof, Francis B. Plumb, and Earnest L. Behrend serving as casket-bearers.

Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan was in charge of the services.