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Evelyn M. Anastasi, 87

June 13, 1913 – Nov. 7, 2000

HARLAN – Evelyn Mary Anastasi was born June 13, 1913, to Mathilda (Michalski) and Nicholas Jacobs near Portsmouth. She was baptized and confirmed a St. Mary's Catholic Church in Portsmouth. She grew to adulthood on her parents' farm where her father operated a 10 acre truck garden. Evelyn the oldest girl of eight children, lost her mother at age 11. Her father later married Lucy Michalski, Mathilda's sister, adding six children to the combined families. Prior to marriage, Evelyn worked as a housekeeper for a local banker and doctor.

Dec. 27, 1933, she married Oscar J. Anastasi at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan. Five children were born to this union. After their marriage, they farmed near Harlan until 1965. Due to her husband's ill health, the couple moved to Harlan. She died Nov. 7, 2000, at Elm Crest Retirement Community in Harlan, at age 87 years, four months and 25 days.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Oscar Anastasi in 1991; son, Ronald; brothers, Raymond and Laverne Jacobs, and sister, Bernice Schmidt. She is survived by her children, Charles Anastasi (Joan) of Lake Elmo, MN; Patricia (Bill) Kilpatrick of St. Peters, MO; Eugene Anastasi (Alice) of Englewood, FL and Peggy (Robert) Hall of Lansing, KS; 13 grandchildren; 15 great grandchildren; sisters, Loraine Strub of Omaha, NE; Betty Wolken of Garnett, KS; Darlene (George) Johnson of Albert City; and Rose Ann (Gary) Larsen of Harlan; brothers, Gordon Jacobs (Vi) of Oceanside, CA; Victor Jacobs of Escondido, CA; Charles Jacobs (Bonnie) of Harlan; James Jacobs (Judy) of Parker, CO; Kenneth Jacobs (Laverne) of Bozeman, MT and Nick Jacobs (Mary Helen) of St. Louis, MO; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Nov. 10, 2000, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan, with Rev. Howard Fitzgerald celebrant. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery with Darrell Pettz, Thomas Anastasi, Scott Kirk, David Anastasi, Randal Anastasi and Steven Anastasi casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.