

Mildred Best, 89

Feb. 19, 1906 - Nov. 21, 1995

Harlan - Mildred Vivian Best, daughter of Frank C. and Edith (White) Escher was born Feb. 19, 1906 on the family farm in Lincoln Township, Shelby County. She attended Lincoln #4 country school near her parents home and graduated from Tennant High School. After graduation she helped her mother at home.

Dec. 5, 1929 she married Glenn Best. After their marriage, they made their home on a farm in Shelby Township where they grew hybrid seed corn. This business enabled them to acquire several hundred acres of farm land east of Tennant where they raised the seed corn. During this time they were able to build a new brick home on the farm. After the death of her husband Aug. 24, 1956, she sold the business and built a new home in Harlan. This was her home until she became a resident of the Baptist Memorial Home Aug. 29, 1989. She died Nov. 21, 1995 at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 89 years, nine months and two days. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Harlan.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Walter Escher. She is survived by her sisters, Helen Evans of Elk Horn and Evelyn Anderson of Co. Bluffs; a sister-in-law, Dorothy (Mrs. Melvin) Rasmussen of Harlan; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Nov. 25, 1995 at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan with Rev. Paul Wilcox of First United Methodist Church in Harlan officiating. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery with James Clark, Kenneth L. Escher, Keith Andersen, Earnest Madison, James Storjohann and Elmer C. Jensen casket bearers.