Neva L. Blankenship, 62

Feb. 23, 1936 - March 1, 1998

HARLAN - Neva Louise Blankenship, daughter of Gregory and Edna (Maas) Schroeder, was born Feb. 23, 1936, at Carroll. She was raised at Breda, and attended St. Bernard's Grade School in Breda. She was baptized at St. Bernard's Catholic church in Breda. At age nine she moved to Odebolt, where she finished grade school at St. Martin's and graduated from Odebolt High School in 1954. She was confirmed at St. Martin's Catholic Church in Odebolt.

After graduation she moved to Omaha, where she married Ronald L. Anderson Sept. 29, 1962. Their marriage produced two sons. She worked as a secretary at several businesses, including Wayne Feed, Guaranteed Mutual Insurance Company, Farm Credit Bank and Omaha Public Power District.

She married Keith Blankenship July 29, 1988, in Omaha. In 1990, they moved to Harlan and this has been their home since that time. She died March 1, 1998, in Omaha, at age 62 years and six days.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister; Loeta Boudia. Survivors include her husband, Keith Blankenship of Harlan; her two sons, Mark Anderson (Mariclaire) of Waukesha, WI and Todd Anderson (Mary) of Hagerstown, MD; her two grandchildren, Ben and Cara Anderson; her brothers and sisters, Irene (Donald) Traner of Houston, TX; Dorothy (George) Landgraf of Odebolt; Neil Schroeder (Judy) of Burlington; Cliiford Schroeder (Judy) of Williamsburg, VA; Joyce Amdor (John) of Defiance, and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated March 4, 1998, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan, with Rev. Richard Gubbels celebrant and Rev. Allan Reicks of St. Martin's Catholic Church in Odebolt concelebrant, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Pat Davitt. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery with Al Maul, Michael Johnston, Joe Poleck, Jim Landgraf, Oscar Johnson and Tom Wilbanks casket bearers.

Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.