

Iva Mae Braden, 79

May 20, 1920 – April 3, 2000

PORTLAND, OR – Iva Mae Braden, daughter of Milton E. and Myrtle Edwards Blair, was born May 20, 1920, in Harlan. She died April 3, 2000, at the West Hills Convalescent Center in Portland, OR, after a long illness with cancer. She graduated from Harlan High School and worked at the Tinsley Jewelry Store for two years before attending cosmetology school in Lincoln, NE, and then had her own shop there.

Iva Mae married Max W. Braden Feb. 2, 1946, in Lincoln, where they made their home, later moving to Denver, CO, and then on to Oregon in 1952. She was bookkeeper for two different firms before going to the Oregon State Health Department, where she worked until her retirement. She had been an active member of Hillsdale Community Church and the Martha Circle of that church for many years.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; two sisters, June Sorensen and Lela Mueller; and two brothers, Percy Blair and Loren Blair. She is survived by her sister, Elva White, Harlan, and sister-in-law, Donzetta Blair, Westminster, CO; nieces, Dorothy Sorensen, Iowa City; Arletha Hockett, Tennant; Lois Schmidt, Audubon; Phyllis Voegel, Manning; Bonnie Sutherburg, Westminster, CO; Barbara Koenig, Shell Beach, CA; and two nephews, Robert D. Blair, Co. Bluffs and Milton Mueller, Walnut.

Private committal services were held at Willamette National Cemetery in Portland, OR, April 6, 2000, and a memorial service at the Hillsdale Community Church in Portland, OR, April 9, 2000.
