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Dorothy Brensel, 77

July 11, 1925 - June 1, 2003

HARLAN – Dorothy Marie Brensel, the daughter of John and Gertrude Pierce Baker, was born July 11, 1925, in Harlan. She attended Harlan Community Schools.

May 18, 1946, she married Harold LeRoy Brensel in Harlan. Four children were born to this union, Harry Lee, Carmen, Rick and David. After their marriage, they made their home in Harlan, and had recently celebrated their 57th anniversary in May. Dorothy was a homemaker during her entire married life. She died June 1, 2003, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 77 years, 10 months and 21 days.



In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Carmen, and her brothers and sisters, Mable Struble, Everette "Bake", Alta Barnett, Benny "Vernon", Olin "Buck", and Harold "Jake". Survivors include her husband, Harold LeRoy of Harlan; her children, Harold Lee Brensel (Marlene) of Harlan; Rick Brensel (Shirley) of Harlan; and David Brensel of Harlan; five grandchildren, Lisa (Jose) Zamago, Nate (Katie) Brensel, Amy Brensel, Aaron Brensel and Justin Brensel; three great grandchildren; special friends, Su Buschkamp, Tammy Buschkamp Petersen and Rhonda Wendt; and sister, Helen (Kenny) Nollen of Independence; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held June 4, 2003, at Pauley Jones Funeral Home with Rev. Al Hazelton officiating. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery with Nate Brensel, Vern Buschkamp, Robert Clark, Aaron Brensel, Mark Kaufman and Justin Brensel casket bearers.