

## Lois G. Eckermann, 70

*Aug. 24, 1930 - May 9, 2001*

**HARLAN** – Lois Grace Eckermann, daughter of Frank and Rose (Marshall) Podey, was born Aug. 24, 1930, in Milford Township, Crawford County. She was baptized and confirmed at the Presbyterian Church in Vail. She grew up on her family farm near Vail, and attended country school in Monroe Township in Denison.

She married August Joseph Eckermann April 26, 1970, in Missouri Valley. She worked for the State of Iowa Liquor Commission for 18 years and retired in 1985, as manager of the Harlan Liquor Store. She died May 9, 2001, at her home in Harlan, at age 70 years, eight months and 15 days.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother and sister, Frederick Podey and Phyllis Lundell. Survivors include her husband, August "Gus" Eckermann of Harlan; her children, Debbie (Merrill) Martin of Sebastian, FL; Neoma "Tookie" (Jack) Smith of Harlan; John Rademacker (Deb) of Lincoln, NE; Jeff Rademacker (Loretta) of Lincoln, NE; Randy Rademacker (Becky) of Irwin; Jason Eckermann (Michelle) of Harlan; and stepchildren, Jim Rademacker (Phyllis) of Sugar Grove, IL; Jan (Don) Langholtz of Glenwood; Marcie Schraeder of Denison; Carol Ann (Dennis) Androy of Sacramento, CA; Terri Greer of Omaha, NE and Tom Eckermann of Omaha, NE; 24 grandchildren; six great grandchildren; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held May 12, 2001, at the Congregational United Church of Christ in Harlan, with Rev. Dr. David W. Erickson officiating. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery with Jason Moore, Darrin Petersen, Tony Burger, Shane Murphy, Tyler Jacobsen and Andy Baldwin casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

