

## Veronica Klein, 89

*Jan. 6, 1914 - May 14, 2003*

**HARLAN** — Veronica Gertrude Klein, daughter of Mathias and Genevieve Fuhs Mikels, was born Jan. 6, 1914, in Portsmouth, and was one of eight children in the family. Veronica attended St. Mary's Catholic School in Portsmouth, and graduated with the class of 1932.

She married Leonard Klein June 17, 1940, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Portsmouth. They were the parents of five children. Veronica attended Normal Teachers Training and taught country school for a few years. They made their home outside of Portsmouth and farmed in the area. In 1947, the family moved to a farm near Kirkman and became members of St. Michael's Catholic Church. In the summer of 1999, Veronica and Leonard moved to the Westridge Apartments in Harlan. She spent her life as a homemaker. She died May 14, 2003, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 89 years, four months and eight days.

In addition to her parents, Veronica is preceded in death by one son, Bruce Klein, who died in 1950; and her brothers and sister, Edward Mikels, Alfred Mikels and Eva Marie Slaughter. She is survived by her husband, Leonard of Harlan; her children, Alan Klein (Rosemary) of Kirkman; Kenneth Klein (Janice) of Harlan; Mary Ann Klein Majkowski of Omaha, NE; and Myron Klein (Cindy) of Higganum, CT; 11 grandchildren; two great grandchildren; brothers and sisters, Raymond Mikels of Elk Horn; Delmar Mikels (Phyllis) of Portsmouth; Dolores (Jack) Hicks of Manhattan Beach, CA; and Richard Mikels (Jeanette) of Portsmouth; sister-in-law, Mae Mikels of Woodbine; brother-in-law, Jess Slaughter of Texas; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held May 17, 2003, at St. Michael's Catholic Church with Rev. Jack McClure, C.P.P.S. officiating. Honorary casket bearers were Ryan Klein, Jennifer Klein, Michael Klein, Heather Klein and Melissa Wilson. Casket bearers were Chad Klein, Daniel Klein, Matthew Majkowski, Brian Majkowski, Michael Wilson, Kyle Klein and Mark Klein. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery. Pauley Jones Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

