

Agnes V. Larsen, 96

June 23, 1904 - Sept. 7, 2000

HARLAN — Agnes Violet Larsen was born June 23, 1904, to Mary (Sieler) and Michael Sharkey on a farm near Wakonda, SD, one of eight children. She attended country school growing to adulthood on the farm. She often assisted her mother with the care of her younger brothers and sisters.

Feb. 19, 1925, she married Justin J. Larsen at Clearfield, SD. To this union three sons and four daughters were born. The couple farmed in Tripp County, SD, for nine years before moving to Shelby County and locating near Cuppy's Grove. They farmed at this location until retiring and moving to Harlan in 1971. She was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan. She died Sept. 7, 2000, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 96 years, two months and 15 days.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by husband, Justin in 1994; her son, Marvin; a great grandson, Benji Larsen; sisters, Geneva and Laverne; and brothers, James, Vincent, Steve and Francis. She is survived by her children, Darrel Larsen (Agnes) of Harlan; Marlene Sondergaard of Harlan; Mary (Charles) Gardiner of Olathe, KS; Evelyn (Lyle) Henriksen of Coming; Juliene (Harold) Johnson of Harlan and Dale Larsen (Elizabeth) of Harlan; 19 grandchildren; 29 great grandchildren; five great great grandchildren; one brother, Michael Sharkey (Helen) of Winner, SD; sisters-in-law, Ruby Sharkey of Mitchell, SD and Mabel Sharkey of Winner, SD; and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Sept. 9, 2000, at St. Michael's Catholic Church with the Rev. Howard Fitzgerald celebrating and the Rev. Mr. Pat Davitt assisting. Burial was held in the Harlan Cemetery with Wade Jensen, Marvin Henriksen, Jim Larsen, David Gardiner, Michele Johnson and Maria Larsen casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

