

Singer Nicolette Larson had local relatives

LOS ANGELES, CA -- Funeral services were held last week here for Singer Nicolette Larson, 45. She died at the UCLA Medical Center on December 16 from a cerebral edema. She was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Bob Larson, Kansas City.

Bob and his sister, Dorothy (Mrs Mal) Reid of Harlan grew up in Harlan. Nicolette's cousins, Deb Schleis and Steve Reid also reside in Harlan.

Nicolette Larson was born in Minneapolis, MN. In addition to her parents, survivors include her husband, Russ Kunkel, and daughter, Elsie May.

She was honored by the Academy of Country Music in 1985 when she was selected as the best new vocalist. Larson recorded six albums and had worked as a backup singer for Linda Ronstadt and Emmylou Harris.



NICOLETTE LARSON

She had a hit with the song, Lotta Love, in 1979. Several years ago she had also given a performance at Ak-Sar-Ben in Omaha.