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Sarah Mengwasser, 68

March 24, 1934 - Jan. 12, 2003

HARLAN – Sarah Corinne Mengwasser, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Shelor) Walker, was born March 24, 1934, in Avoca. She was raised in the Jacksonville area, and attended Jacksonville area country schools and Harlan High School.

May 1, 1952, Sarah married Herbert James Mengwasser at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan. She worked for 10 years as a Health Aide at the Baptist Memorial Home (now known as Elm Crest Retirement Community). She then began providing personal residential care until her retirement in 1998. She became a resident of Little Flower Haven Nursing Home in December, 2001. She was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church where she was part of the ladies' circle. She died Jan. 12, 2003, at Jennie Edmundson Memorial Hospital at age 68 years, nine months and 19 days.

Preceding Sarah in death were her parents and one brother, Milton Walker. Survivors include her husband, Herbert Mengwasser of Harlan; one daughter, Elizabeth (John) Plott of Council Bluffs; one sister, Linda (Clyde) Kohl of Harlan; two brothers, Tom (Sandy) Walker of Harlan and Sam (Elizabeth) Walker of Santa Rosa, CA; one granddaughter, Jessica Dawn Copeland of Council Bluffs; and other relatives.

Mass of Christian Burial was held Jan. 15, 2003, at St. Michael's Catholic Church with Father Jack McClure, C.P.P.S. celebrating. Casket bearers were Tom Walker, Matt Sell, Chuck Matthews, Mike Kolbe, Steve Kohl and Kevin McCarthy. Burial was in the Jacksonville Cemetery. Burmeister-Johannsen Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.