

Mabel Nelson, 91

HARLAN — Mabel Nelson, daughter of Chris and Pauline Nelson, was born on Dec. 7, 1895 near Irwin. She attended Pleasant Valley country school. At the age of 12, after the death of her father, the family moved to Harlan.

On Oct. 20, 1915, she married Moody M. Nelson in Harlan and this is where they made their home. Five children were born to this union. After the death of Moody in 1979, she continued to make her home in Harlan and in 1981, she became a resident of the Westridge Apartments. It was there that she died on April 1, 1987 at age 91 years, three months and 25 days. She was a member of the First Baptist church in Harlan and the Zenobia Rebekah Lodge No. 286 of Harlan.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a daughter, Jackie; two brothers, Chris Nelson and Martin "Mike" Nelson; and two sisters, Eva Olesen and Pearl Ulbrich. She is survived by three sons, Jerome of Garden Grove, CA.; Robert of Susanville, CA.; and Richard of Houston, TX. and one daughter, Bonnie Larsen of Hayward, CA.; 14 grandchildren; 17 great grandchildren, nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were April 4, 1987 at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan with Pastor John M. Leggett of the First Baptist church, officiating. Burial was in the Harlan cemetery with Lee Nelsen, Gerald Nelsen, Wesley Peterson, Virgil Olesen, Hilbert Steffes and Wesley Rasmussen serving as casketbearers.