

Marie Elizabeth Parent, 88

HARLAN - Marie Elizabeth Parent, daughter of Martin and Gertrude (Baker) Fymbo, was born July 12, 1902, in a log cabin on a farm near Turin. She attended country school near Onawa, and high school in Onawa. She then worked as a night telephone operator.

July 4, 1925, she married William Parent in Onawa. They were the parents of one daughter, Arline. The family resided in Onawa, and in 1931, moved to Harlan where she worked in her mother's restaurant, The Harlan Cafe, until 1948. She then became employed at the Golden Rule Clothing Store in Harlan where she worked for the next 27 years until her retirement, in 1975. In 1977, she became a resident of the Westridge Apartments in Harlan, and this has been her home since that time. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Harlan, and a 50 year member of the Zenobia Rebekah Lodge #286, both of Harlan. She died Dec. 17, 1990, at St. Joseph's Hospital in Omaha, at age 88 years, five months, and five days.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a sister, Goldie; and a brother, James. Survivors include her daughter, Arline LeClaire of Green Bay, WI.; five grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren; a sister, Mabel Barnett of Harlan, and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Dec. 19, 1990 at Pauley Funeral Home with Rev. D. Stephen Clinton of First United Methodist Church in Harlan, officiating. Burial was in the Harlan cemetery with Clay Pauley, Don Blakely, Leonard Petsche, and Dallas A. Havick serving as honorable casketbearers. Serving as casketbearers were Gust Sindt, Allan Andersen, Orrin Plagmann, Robert J. Nelson, Anker C. Rasmussen, and John A. Christiansen. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.