

Janis Ronnfeldt, 78 /

Nov. 12, 1928 - April 16, 2007

AVOCA - Janis Irene Pedersen Ronnfeldt was born Nov. 12, 1928 in Grant daughter of Roy and Zola McFarland Pedersen and was one of three children in the family. As an infant, her family moved to a farm south of Walnut and then to the Dermyer Country Store south of Walnut. In 1938 they moved to a farm south of Avoca. She attended a country school near Walnut and later the Avoca High School where she graduated with the class of 1946. After receiving Normal Training, she taught country school in the Avoca area for eight years.

Janis married John Ronnfeldt June 23, 1953 in Avoca. While raising her children, Bradley and Shelley, Janis sold Avon and worked for grocery stores in Avoca and Harlan. She was a longtime member of the Trinity Lutheran Church of Avoca. She became a resident of the Avoca Lodge Assisted Living in 2003 and later moved to the Avoca Nursing Home in 2006. She died April 16, 2007 at the Myrtue Medical Center in Harlan at age seventy eight years, five months and four days.

Janis is preceded in death by her parents, her husband John Ronnfeldt, her son Bradley, her sister Reva Wendt and her brother Roy Pedersen. She is survived by her daughter, Shelley Ronnfeldt (Joseph) Loutey, and their son Jesse of North Bend, WA and other relatives.

Memorial services were held April 19, 2007 at Pauley Jones Funeral Home in Avoca, with Pastor Dennis Reich officiating.