

Bertha J. Barrett, 93

Harlan — Bertha Johanna Barrett, daughter of Andrew and Katy Jensen Sorensen, was born in Atlantic, on Jan. 7, 1887. She was baptized in the Baptist church, and grew to adulthood on her parents' farm east of Harlan. Mrs Barrett attended school in Harlan.

On Dec. 24, 1905, she married George Henry Barrett in Harlan. Seven children were born to this union. After their marriage, they farmed east of Harlan and near Irwin. In 1935, they retired from farming and he went to work for the county.

After Mr Barrett's death in 1945, Mrs Barrett made her home with her daughter, Vera, in Harlan. She became a resident of the Baptist Memorial Home in Oct. of 1977 and this has been her home since that time. She attended the Calvary Baptist church in Walnut. She died at the Baptist Memorial Home on Sunday, July 13, 1980, at age 93 years, six months and six days.

In addition to her parents and her husband, Mrs Barrett was preceded in death by two daughters - Mildred and Kathieen; one son - Leonard; one grandson; four great-grandchildren; five brothers - Alfred, Elmer, Irwin, Haddon, and Clarence; and two sisters - Esther and Lilly. Survivors include four daughters - Vera (Mrs Neils) Andersen of Harlan; Helen (Mrs Adolph) Petersen of LaBolt, So. Dak.; Beulah (Mrs Marinus) Andersen of Exira; and Ethel (Mrs George) Rasmussen of Ava, Miss.; 19 grandchildren; 61 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren; by two brothers - Gordon F. Sorenson and Dale H. Sorenson; both of Harlan and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at Pauley Funeral Home, on Wednesday, July 16, 1980, with Rev. Max R. Bowlin, pastor of the Calvary Baptist church in Walnut, officiating. Burial was in the Harlan cemetery, with John Anderson, Allan Knudsen, Roland Petersen, Leo H. Kragelund, Floyd H. Petersen, and Arnold Westphalen serving as casketbearers.