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# Evelyn L. Jespersen, 68

Evelyn Leona Jespersen, the daughter of Henry E. and Blanche Barratt Tank, was born on a farm in Polk twp., Shelby co. She was baptized as a young child at the First United Methodist church in Harlan, and attended school in Harlan, graduating in the Harlan high school class of 1932. After school, she worked as a sales clerk in several stores, which included Wigg's Store and Andersen Clothing.

On Oct. 26, 1935, she married Christian Zinck Jespersen in Harlan. Two sons were born to this union. After their marriage, they lived in Southwest Iowa for a short time, and later lived in Baton Rouge, La., before moving back to Harlan during World War II. After the war she and her husband then lived in several southern communities, before settling in Tampa, Fla., where Mr Jespersen died on March 1, 1964. She then remained in Fla., until her father died in 1966 when she moved back to Harlan, to be with her mother Blanche. She has lived in Harlan and also worked at the Mode-O-Day since that time.

She was a member of the First United Methodist church in Harlan. She died at Myrtue Memorial hospital in Harlan on May 15, 1983, at the age of 68 years, 4 months and 16 days.

She was preceded in death by her parents and husband. In addition to her two sons Charles of Stevensville, Mich., and Kent of Jacksonville, Fla., Evelyn is survived by two grandchildren, Kristina Lynn Jespersen and Kevin Ashley Jespersen both of Tampa, Fla.; two brothers, Gaillard B. Tank of Columbus, Neb. and Charles Tank of Puyallup, Wash., nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Memorial services were held at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan on Wednesday, May 18, 1983 with Dr. Larry LaVelle of the First United Methodist church in Harlan, officiating. The following men served as honorary casketbearers, Roy Baron, Ed D'Arcy, Bill Nelson, Paul V. Bolte, Graham Howell and Ronald Jacobsen. Burial will be held following cremation of the remains at Myrtle Hill Memorial Park cemetery in Tampa, Fla. on June 18, 1983.

Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan was in charge of arrangements.