

Gladys Pierce

Gladys Rosetta Pierce, daughter of W. S. and Josephine Hamblin, was born in Harlan, on Mar. 29, 1897. She died at St. Anthony's hospital in Carroll on Jan. 10, 1977, at age 79 years, 9 months and 11 days. She attended school and grew to adulthood in Harlan. On Nov. 29, 1916, she married Paul C. Pierce at Avoca. Three daughters were born to this union. After their marriage, Mr and Mrs Pierce made their home in Harlan. After Mr Pierce's death in Oct. of 1964, Mrs Pierce continued to live in Harlan until a few years ago when she moved to Coon Rapids. This has been her home since that time. Mrs Pierce attended the Catholic church.

In addition to her parents and her husband, she was preceded in death by a brother - Lloyd; a half-brother - Lafe; and by a half-sister - Floy. She is survived by her daughters - Betty Lou (Mrs Edward Stowe) and Virginia Lee (Mrs Norman W. Nelson) both of Harlan and Shirley Jean (Mrs Don Schoeppner) of Templeton, nine grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; a half-brother, Hugh Allen of Atlantic; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Christian Wake service was held at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan on Wednesday, Jan. 12, 1977 with Rev. Richard G. Wagner, pastor of St. Michael's Catholic church in Harlan, officiating. Burial was in the Harlan cemetery, with Mrs Pierce's grandsons Gary Stowe, Donald Stowe, Timothy Stowe, Sam Schoeppner, Wesley P. Nelson and Robert Schoeppner serving as casketbearers.