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Edna M. Brown, 82

HARLAN - Edna M. Brown, daughter of Soren and Ellen Mary (Terkelsen) Olesen, was born July 27, 1905, on a farm in Shelby county. She died at Baptist Memorial Home in Harlan on March 30, 1988 at age 82 years, eight months and three days. She attended country school, and grew to adulthood on her parent's farm.

On Sept. 23, 1924, she married Merle Stutzman, at the Methodist Parsonage in Harlan. Four children were born to this union. After the death of Merle on Sept. 1, 1972, she continued to make her home in Harlan and on Aug. 18, 1978, she married Dale Brown in Harlan. On Dec. 23, 1985, she became a resident of the Baptist Memorial Home in Harlan. She was a member of First United Methodist Church in Harlan.

In addition to her parents and husband, Merle, she was preceded in death by two daughters, Nadine and Gloria; a grandson, Ronnie Brown; four sisters, an infant sister; Cory, Anna and Jo. She is survived by her husband, Dale of Harlan; two sons, Earl Stutzman of Dallas, TX and Richard Stutzman of Topeka, KS; nine grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren, four step-children; Duane Brown of Harlan; Merwyn Brown of Portland, OR; Cleo Brown of Des Moines and Karol (Mrs Gary) Robertson of Elk Horn; 11 step-grandchildren and 11 step-great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held on April 1, 1988 at First United Methodist Church, Harlan with Pastor George Gibson officiating. Burial was in Harlan cemetery with Art Linde, Earl Waddell, Alfred Nielsen, Marvin W. Martin, Lyle D. Walker Sr. and Gorden E. Petersen serving as casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.