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## **Hazel Evelyn Christensen, 73**

**March 16, 1921 - March 16, 1994**

**Scranton** - Hazel Evelyn Christensen, 73 of Scranton and formerly of Harlan, died at the Baptist Memorial Home in Harlan, March 16, 1994 following a long illness. She was born March 16, 1921 at Scranton the daughter of Harold Curtis and Roxanna Rudkin Gray.

She grew up in the Scranton community and married Dr. Earl T. Christensen April 1, 1943 at the Methodist Church in Scranton. She worked with her husband who was a Veterinarian in Scranton for 15 years and then practiced in Harlan for 34 years. They retired in 1977 and then moved back to Scranton where they lived for the past 6 years. While living back in Scranton, she worked for the Greene Thumb program as a teachers aid at the Scranton School. She was a member of the United Methodist Church, the UMW of the Church, and was a 50 year member and Past Matron of the Lebanon Chapter #8 Order of the Eastern Star at Harlan. She was also a member of the Daughters of the Nile. As a girl she attended and graduated from Scranton High School and attended 2 years at Simpson College in Indianola.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Dr. Earl Christensen in 1990 and one granddaughter Natalie. Surviving are two sons, David Christensen (Kathryn) of Harlan and Byron Christensen of Harlan and one sister, Eva Wampler of RR Scranton, 5 grandchildren and one great-grandson.

Funeral services were held March 18, 1994 at the United Methodist Church in Scranton with Rev. Kevin Leveck officiating. There was an Eastern Star Memorial service held at the Church following the Funeral Service by Crescent Club Past Matrons of Scranton. Burial was in the Scranton cemetery. Casket bearers were Harold Wampler, Nick Christensen, Alan Pound, Steve Christensen, Nathan Christensen and John Lawrence, and Raymond Wampler. Honorary casket bearers were Robert Dage, Jason Christensen, Leonard Dage, Cohen Johnson and Leslie Johnson.