



Ethel J. Clemons, 90

**Nov. 22, 1903 - June 19,
1994**

Harlan - Ethel Joy Clemons, Harlan, died June 19, 1994 at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 90 years, six months, and 28 days.

She was born on a farm five miles south of Irwin to Severt and Lava (Hendrickson) Olson Nov. 22, 1903. She attended country school until the eighth grade, when she went to Kirkman School in Kirkman. She graduated from

the Irwin High School in 1921 and furthered her education by Elementary School Education Courses in Carroll. She taught one year in a rural school.

She married Victor Clemons Feb. 18, 1923 at her parents home near Kirkman. to this union two sons were born, Vincent in 1925 and Marlow in 1929. She was a member of the Polk Improvement Club and a member of the ELCA Women's group of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Irwin. She also served as Sunday School Superintendent at the St. Paul's Church for several years.

She was preceded in death by her husband Victor in 1971; a son Vincent Clemons in 1983; a sister Ilo Halverson; and a brother Kleng Olson. Survivors include one son, Marlow Clemons (Jeanette) of rural Harlan; a daughter-in-law Alice Clemons of Harlan; six grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; two sisters, LoVail Cleland of Mesa, AZ and Mae Gross of Vermilion, SD, nieces and nephews, and other relatives.

Funeral services were held June 22, 1994 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Irwin, with Pastor Ralph Wallin and Intern David Chancellor officiating. Burial was in the Danway cemetery near Kirkman with Ron Gaskill, Larry Clemons, Dale L. Clemons, Calvin L. Clemons, Mark Ehrecke and Craig Clemons casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.