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Ruby Bernice Greer, 93 x

April 5, 1899 - March 8, 1993

HARLAN — Ruby Bernice Greer, daughter of Charles and Alice (Crable) Dowling, was born April 5, 1899 at Wagner, S.D., and died March 8, 1993 at Little Flower Haven in Earling, at age 93 years, 11 months and 3 days. She attended country school and graduated from Wagner High School. She taught school in S.D. after graduation.

She married Earl Greer Dec. 19, 1921 in Wagner, S.D. Nine children were born to this union. After their marriage, they homesteaded in Wagner, S.D., where they farmed until 1934 when they moved to Shelby county. They rented a farm near Manilla, until 1944 when they purchased a farm just north of Harlan. They moved into Harlan in 1948 but continued to farm until 1967 when Earl retired. In 1970 they moved into a new home in Harlan that Earl had built. They moved into the Little Flower Haven in 1989. They were proud to have shared 70 years of marriage. Earl died Aug. 1, 1992 and Little Flower Haven remained her home. She was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, Harlan. She had been active in several Bible study groups, and a member of St. Michael's Guild.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by two daughters, Elaine and Velda and two sons, Arthur and Eugene. She is surviving by twin sons, Merle (Marge) and Verle (Irene) all of Harlan; 3 daughters, Unis Schumacher of Harlan; her twin Inis Dickes of Shenandoah; and Wilma (Eugene) Dickes of Longmont, CO.; 38 grandchildren; 70 great-grandchildren; 8 great-great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews; and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated March 11, 1993 at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan with Rev. Edward Kelly celebrant and assisted by Rev. Mr. Pat Davitt. Burial was in Harlan cemetery with Bob Smith, Russ Greer, Alfred Wede, Jr., and Paul Steenhusen honorable casketbearers, and Mike Blum, Steve Webster, Steven W. Schumacher, Chuck Schumacher, Dennis Greer and Tom Schumacher casketbearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.