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Esther Jenkins, 80

HARLAN - Esther Jenkins, daughter of John T. and Esther M. Jensen Jenkins was born Feb. 5, 1908 at Exira. Her mother died when she was four years old and she then lived with her grandmother. When she was eight years old, she came to Shelby county and stayed with her aunt, Mrs P.S. Petersen. She attended school at Center No. 2 and was baptized at the Danish Baptist Church. She moved to CA in 1955, where she worked at the University of Redlands and later at a nursing home. Before coming back to Iowa in 1968, she lived with her sister Ruth in Vallejo, CA. She moved back to Harlan in 1972, where she has lived with her sisters at 312 Market Street. She died June 16, 1988 at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan at age 80 years, 4 months and 11 days.

She was preceded in death by her father in 1949 and mother in 1912. Survivors include two sisters, Pauline Pingel and Ruth Dinsmore, both of Harlan and by nieces and nephews.

Memorial services were June 20, 1988 at the Burmeister Funeral Home with Rev. Roger Crawford of the Bethel Baptist Church officiating. Burial was in the Merrill's Grove cemetery.