

Virginia "Ginny" Kerr, 84

Nov. 26, 1921 - Jan. 23, 2006

HARLAN — Virginia "Ginny" Leigh Kerr, daughter of John E. and Grace H. Hunt Lundborg, was born Nov. 26, 1921, at Omaha, NE. She was baptized and confirmed at Sacred Heart Catholic Church April 9, 1941. Her parents started her on violin studies at a young age and she continued those studies through college. Her appreciation for classical music grew to also include an appreciation for Big Band music. In her late teens, she earned a teaching certificate from Omaha University, now known as "UNO." She volunteered at schools and hospitals after college.



Ginny married Maximilian Kerr in 1941 and became a homemaker for her four children, John, Brian, Julie and Alan. Seventeen years later, when the marriage ended, Virginia faced her next challenge, being a single mother. With the help of her parents, Virginia raised her children. She died Jan. 23, 2006, at her daughter's home in Harlan at age 84 years, one month and 27 days.

In addition to her parents, her husband, Maximilian, Ginny was preceded in death by a grandson, Todd Johnson. Survivors include her children, John Kerr of Bradley Beach, NJ; Brian Kerr and his life partner, Don of Washington DC; Julie (John) Johnson of Harlan; Alan Kerr (Caren) of Rohrsersville, MD; four grandchildren, Jeffrey Johnson (Annie) of Dunlap; Katharyn Johnson of Los Angeles, CA; Amanda Kerr and Evan Kerr of Rohrsersville, MD; two great-grandchildren, Alexander Todd Johnson and Gracie Jo Johnson of Dunlap; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Jan. 28, 2006, at St. Michael's Catholic Church with Rev. Robert Hoeffler celebrant. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery with Ken and Carmen Blackwell, William and Tami Stinn, and John and Roxanne Linde honorary casket bearers. Casket bearers were John M. Kerr, Brian L. Kerr, Alan V. Kerr, Jeffrey L. Johnson, Don Guill, and John H. Johnson, II. Pauley Jones Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.