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Phyllis J. Olson, 66

Nov. 20, 1928 - Dec. 5, 1994

Harlan - Phyllis Joan Olson, daughter of Bernard and Velma (Schroeder) McBride was born Nov. 20, 1928 at Burt, IA. She attended Sibley and Burt

Schools, graduating from Burt High School.

July 4, 1947 she married Ervin "Pete" Olson at Burt. To this union eight children were born. The family moved to Harlan in August of 1961. She was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, V.F.W. Auxiliary, and a charter member of the Lioness Club in Harlan. She did baby-sitting and worked in the kitchen at the Chicken Hut. After "Pete's" death, she took her LPN training in Harlan and worked as a Licensed Practical Nurse at the Baptist Memorial Home. She retired in Nov. 1981 due to illness. After her retirement she made her home at the County Care Center near Harlan and later was a resident of the Salem Lutheran Home in Elk Horn, IA. It was there that she died Dec. 5, 1994 at 1994 at age 66 years and 15 days.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband "Pete"; two daughters, Sue Ann Olson and Sheila Olson; one son Russell "Rusty" Olson; a brother Milton McBride; step-father, Kenneth Cook; and a granddaughter Angela Olson. Surviving her are her children - Kenneth Olson (Shirley) of Harlan; Dennis Olson (Cheri) of Shushan, NY; Mark Olson and his former wife Joleen of Harlan; Ron Olson (Kathleen) of Irwin; Stella Olson of Dallas, TX; a brother Terry Joe Cook (Marie) of Burt; nine grandchildren and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Dec. 9, 1994 at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan with Msgr. Edward Kelly celebrating. Burial was in the Harlan cemetery with Paul Rust, Eugene A. Petersen, Kay Olson, Stella Olson, Terry Cook and Ted Anastasi, honorary casket bearers. Casket bearers were Ron Olson, Mark "Hyner" Olson, John Olson, Kenneth Olson, Tracy Olson and Dennis Olson. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.