



Lucile A. Pauley, 92

Aug. 23, 1903-July 11, 1996

Harlan - Lucile Aileen Pauley, the only child of Dr. Paul Albert and L. Pearl Mathers DeOgny, was born Aug. 23, 1903 at Benton, KS. She moved as a small child with her parents to Milford, NE where she received her education and grew to adulthood.

Nov. 11, 1921 she married Harold C. Pauley in Milford, NE. To this union five children were born. Lucile and Harold lived in Milford for two years and then in Beatrice, NE where they owned and operated the Pauley Lumber Yard. They moved to Harlan in 1930 and purchased the Carl interest in the firm of Carl and Troyer Furniture and Funeral Service. In 1932 they purchased the Troyer interest. In Feb. of 1934 the Pauley's purchased the French Funeral Home, renaming it

Pauley Funeral Home. In 1936 they purchased property at 9th and Baldwin and remodeled this building into a modern funeral home. Lucile and Harold always worked together in all their business ventures, especially the funeral home. She determined the individual needs of the different families and then worked to fulfill them. Often she would take coffee pots, cups, silverware etc. and help in the kitchen with food, serving families and their guests. Many times these trips would include traveling on snow packed or muddy roads. She cared about the families she served, as well as the future of the funeral home itself. Even after retiring, her interest in seeing the funeral home successful, was very evident.

Lucile was a member of First Baptist Church in Harlan. She loved music, and for several years was both choir director and organist at the Bethel Baptist Church. She was also a charter member of the First Baptist Church in Harlan and active in many of its organizations. After Harold's death in 1968, Lucile spent much of her time traveling. In 1986 she moved into Elm Crest Apartments and April 12, 1989 she became a resident of the Baptist Memorial Home. It was there that she died July 11, 1996 at age 92 years, 10 months and 18 days.

In addition to her parents and her husband Harold, Lucile was preceded in death by her daughter-in-law Margaret Pauley. Surviving are her sons and daughter, H. Clay Pauley (Margaret) of Harlan; Richard W. Pauley (Marianne) of Lincoln, NE; Paul A Pauley (Patricia) of College Station, TX; Beverly A. Jensen (Ronald) of Harlan, and Bruce A. Pauley (Denise) of Dallas, TX; 12 grandchildren; 21 great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

Funeral services were held July 15, 1996 at Pauley Funeral Home with Rev. William J. Wright of the First Baptist Church and Rev. Owen E. Wherrett officiating. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery with Paul A Pauley, Richard S. Burchett, H. Clay Pauley, Richard W. Pauley, Bruce A. Pauley and Ronald D. Jensen serving as casket bearers.