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Minnie Penry, 76

HARLAN - Minnie Mammie Penry, daughter of Jacob and Mayme (Bosche) Petersen was born on a farm near Irwin, on Jan. 28, 1912. She died at the Douglas County Hospital in Omaha, NE on March 28, 1988 at age 76 years and two months. She attended school in Irwin and grew to adulthood on her parent's farm.

On Sept. 15, 1937, she married Russell Penry in Harlan. Two children were born to this union. After their marriage, they lived in Harlan for a short time, and then made their home in Kirkman. After the death of Russell on May 21, 1977, she resided at the Westridge Apartments in Harlan for two years before moving to Omaha to be near her son. She was a resident of the Huntington Park Care Center for several years before becoming a resident at the Douglas County Hospital. She was a member of the Elk Horn Baptist Church in Elk Horn.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by two sisters; an infant sister and Alice Larsen; and one brother, Ernest Petersen. She is survived by her son, LeRoy Penry of Omaha; her daughter, Joyce Ann (Mrs Duane) Bentley of Hastings, NE; three grandchildren and one great-grandson; one sister, Martha (Mrs Arthur) Christensen of Harlan; two brothers, Normal Petersen of Des Moines; and Marvin Petersen of Irwin; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were March 31, 1988 at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan with Pastor Mike Marcum of First Baptist Church in Elk Horn officiating. Burial was in Harlan cemetery with Ken Cahan, Sonny Goans, Norm Petersen, Eugene J. Larsen, Allen Christensen and James Christensen as casket bearers.