

Geraldine "Gerry" Peck, 98 ✓

March 15, 1907 - April 4, 2005

HARLAN — Geraldine "Gerry" Peck, daughter of John and Jesse Tidball Ferguson, was born March 15, 1907, at Milo. She attended Milo Public Schools. Upon graduation, Gerry attended Simpson College in Indianola.

June 5, 1937, Gerry married Verne Peck at the Little Brown Church in Nashua. One child was born to this union, Connie. After their marriage, they made their home in Harlan, where Gerry taught at Tennant and Jacksonville schools. In 1958, she was employed at the Harlan National Bank, and was the first woman to hold office at the bank. Verne died April 18, 1975. She worked until she was 75 years old. She died April 4, 2005, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 98 years and 20 days.

In addition to her parents, and her husband, Verne, Gerry, was preceded in death by her brothers and sister, Gerald and Kenneth Ferguson and Vera Bloom. Survivors include her daughter, Connie (Dan) Ryan of Sunset, SC; two grandchildren, Tim Ryan (Vyneta) and Tessa (Chris) Schneider; four great-grandchildren: Sean and Alec Ryan and Ryan and Riley Schneider; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held April 7, 2005, at Pauley Jones Funeral Home with Rev. Ed Frank officiating. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery with Tim Ryan, Tessa Schneider, Ron Mosher, Orlin "Buck" Pauley; Darwin Gessert, and Gene Wilwerding casket bearers.

