

Mayme Blum Von Tersch, 95

HARLAN - Mayme Blum Von Tersch, the daughter of Michael and Lucy (Joseck) Kobold was born Aug. 10, 1894 at Defiance. She died at the Baptist Memorial Home in Harlan, Jan. 12, 1990 at age 95 years, 5 months and two days. She was baptized, received her First Communion and was confirmed at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia.

Sept. 10, 1913, she married Joseph Blum at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling. Nine children were born to this union. After they were married, they lived for six years in the town of Earling and in the spring of 1919, they began farming in the Earling vicinity. In 1937, they moved to a farm near Harlan and farmed there until the spring of 1944 when they moved to the Walnut area.

After Mr Blum died April 10, 1955, she sold their acreage and moved to Harlan. While in Harlan, she worked as a house cleaner and later worked at the Baptist Memorial Home.

Feb. 20, 1965, she married Frank Von Tersch. After they were married, they lived in Defiance. After Mr Von Tersch died Aug. 25, 1978, she continued to live at Defiance until Aug. of 1986, when she moved to the Westridge Apartments in Harlan. This was her home until Oct. 3, 1989 when she became a resident of the Baptist Memorial Home in Harlan.

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In addition to her parents and two husbands, she was preceded in death by two sons, Kenneth and Cecil Blum; two daughters, Mary Blum and Lillian Stinn; three grandchildren, Brenda Blum, Michael Stinn and Peter Camery; three brothers; Joe, Mike and John Kobold and three sisters, Eva O'Malley, Frances Bayers and Mathilda Sweet. She is survived by three daughters, Leonarda (Mrs Harold) Miller of Harlan; Anna Mae (Urban) Leuschen of Harlan and Agnes (Morgan) Camery of LeSueur, MN.; two sons, Bill Blum of Ft. Meade, FL., and Joseph Blum Jr. of Blacksburg, VA.; 40 grandchildren, 55 great-grandchildren and 7 great-great-grandchildren; 1 sister, Lauretta Kempf of Des Moines.

A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated Jan. 16, 1990 at St. Michael's Catholic Church at Harlan. Casketbearers were Jim Blum, Dean Stinn, Tom Stinn and Stowe