

## Gertrude Vogelzang, 94

April 4, 1904 - Dec. 2, 1998

**HARLAN** - Gertrude Vogelzang, daughter of William and May (Purdy) Timmons, was born April 4, 1904 in Audubon County. She moved with her family to Nebraska where her father operated the Pony Express from Omaha to Salt Lake City. She later moved with her family to the Manilla area where her father taught school and operated a grain elevator.

Feb. 10, 1928 she married John Vogelzang at Orange City. To this union four children were born. They farmed south of Akron for a few years and then moved to a farm near Hawarden. This was their home for 13 years, until returning to the Akron area for a number of years. In 1958, they moved to Union County near Creston. In 1974 they retired and moved to Harlan to make their home. They were privileged to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary in Feb. of 1978. John died May 13, 1980. She became a resident of Little Flower Haven Aug. 15, 1996 and this is where she died Dec. 2, 1998 at age 94 years, 7 months and 28 days.

In addition to her parents and her husband, she was preceded in death by her son Robert and his wife Lois; three grandsons, James Vogelzang, Dennis and Dan Sikkink; four brothers and five sisters. She is survived by two sons, Marvin Vogelzang (Mildred) of Harlan, and Glenn Vogelzang; her daughter, Anna Mae (Alvin) Sikkink of Centerville, SD; 14 grandchildren; 28 great grandchildren; one great grandchild and nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Dec. 4, 1998 at Pauley Funeral Home with Richard A. Jones officiating. Burial was in the Nishnabotna Cemetery in Manilla with Richard Vogelzang, Mike Vogelzang, Douglas Sikkink, Dean Sikkink, Todd Schultz and Pat Pickens casket bearers.