

## Mary Donlin, 103

*July 25, 1899 - March 14, 2003*

**HARLAN** – Margaret Mary Donlin was born July 25, 1899, in Skyler Falls, NY and was one of six children born to Jeramiah and Margaret Mary Ann Ryan. Before attending school, Mary and her family moved and made their home in Omaha, NE. She graduated from high school in Omaha, NE, at age 18. After graduating from high school Mary taught school for five years, the last place being in O'Neill, NE, where she met Edward Donlin.

She married Edward Donlin Sept. 8. 1920. They were the parents of one son, Robert. They remained in Omaha until moving to Harlan in 1971, where her son, Bob, had started his own medical practice in 1947. She wrote stories and several were published in a book through the Writer's Guild in Arizona. Mary remained in her home in Harlan until moving to Westridge Apartments and then to Elm Crest Retirement Community. She was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church. Mary died March 14, 2003, at the Elm Crest Retirement Community at age 103 years, seven months and 20 days.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Edward, Dec. 25, 1975; a daughter-in-law, Bernita; one grandson, Daniel Donlin; one great grandson, Ryan Snow; and five brothers and sisters, Edward Ryan, Martin Ryan, Alice Fitzgerald, Agnes Donaldson and Harold Ryan. She is survived by her son, Dr. Robert Donlin of Omaha, NE; seven grandchildren; 20 great grandchildren; and seven great great grandchildren; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held March 17, 2003, at St. Michael's Catholic Church with Father Jack McClure celebrant. Casket bearers were Wayne Taylor, Rick Snow, Patrick Donlin, Colin Donlin, John Donlin and Bill Lepley. Burial was at Calvary Cemetery in Omaha, NE. Pauley Jones Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

