

Maude Frank, 97

Feb. 19, 1907 - Feb. 9, 2005

HARLAN — Maude Alice Frank, daughter of Jerry and Agnes Woods Fogarty, was born Feb. 19, 1907, on a farm in Douglas Township, Shelby County. When she was one they moved to Jefferson Township. Maude attended rural school until the seventh grade when she then attended Irwin School and graduated with the class of 1924. Maude was baptized and joined the Irwin Methodist Church on Easter Sunday 1926. In 1929, Maude attended Iowa State Teachers College. She taught in a rural school in Shelby County, from 1926 until 1928. She later went to teach at schools in New Hartford, Kirkman and Stuart.



May 24, 1933, Maude married Gerald Frank at the Methodist Parsonage in Harlan. Two children were born to this union: Sandra and Gail. After their marriage, she was very active in the Irwin and Kirkman communities. She has been a member of the Kirkman Methodist Church since June 8, 1934. She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star #182 of Irwin since Feb. 22, 1927, where she was honored for 60 years, a member of the United Methodist Women Society since 1993, Sunday school teacher, and held most of the offices of the Society while in Kirkman. They remained on their farm near Kirkman until their retirement in 1969. Maude and Gerald then made their home in Harlan where they remained until moving to the Baptist Memorial Home. In 2002 Maude moved to Little Flower Haven. She died Feb. 9, 2005, at Little Flower Haven at age 97 years, 11 months and 18 days.

Maude was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Gerald, who died Jan. 18, 1999; her brothers and sisters, Ray, Owen, Alfred, Mildred Campbell and Elsie Graham. Survivors include her children, Sandra Kelley of Harlan; Gail Frank (Sheryl) of Oklahoma City, OK; five grandchildren, Jeff Kelley (Deb) of Ida Grove; Brian Kelley (Carol) of Eagle Grove; Todd Kelley (Stacey) of Harlan; Michelle Nicole and Montgomery Frank, both of Oklahoma City, OK; seven great-grandchildren: Paul, Kristin, Craig, Marissa, Patrick, Erin and Tyler; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Feb. 12, 2005, at Pauley Jones Funeral Home with Pastor Merlene Ostebee officiating. Casket bearers were Craig Kelley, Jeffrey Kelley, Patrick Kelley, Brian Kelley, Shelley Nicole, Monte Frank and Todd Kelley. Burial was in the Oak Hill Cemetery in Irwin.