

## Marilyn Mikkelsen, 62

Sept. 3, 1934 - Jan. 14, 1997

**HARLAN** - Marilyn Elaine Mikkelsen, daughter of Ernest A. and Lucille (Roberts) Kardell, was born Sept. 3, 1934, at Redline. She was baptized at Trinity Lutheran Church in Avoca, and later was confirmed at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Jacksonville. She attended country school, and graduated from Avoca High School in 1952.

Oct. 7, 1952, she married Marvin Mikkelsen at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Jacksonville. They became the parents of two children. They farmed north of Jacksonville until 1973, when they moved into Kimballton. She operated the Hilltop Drive in Kimballton, and also had been employed as a cook at several restaurants and cafes. After retiring, they moved into Harlan in 1983, and this has been their home since that time. She died Jan. 14, 1997, at Jennie Edmundson Hospital in Co. Bluffs, at age 62 years, four months and 11 days. She was a member of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Jacksonville.

In addition to her parents, Marilyn was preceded in death by a brother, Bill Kardell. She is survived by her husband, Marvin Mikkelsen of Harlan; her children, Steve (Kara) Mikkelsen of Harlan and Sharon "Shari" (Monty) Dillehay of Co. Bluffs; three grandchildren; a brother, Ben (Karen) Kardell of Spencer, and a sister, Marlene (Merlin) Buthmann of Harlan, and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Jan. 17, 1997, at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan, with Pastor Mary Ann Lunde of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Jacksonville officiating. Internment was in the Harlan Cemetery. Bruce Kardell, George Buthmann, Brian Kardell, Brian Poldberg, Danny Mikkelsen, Doug Jensen and Kenyon Nelson were casket bearers.

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