

✓ **Patricia J. Murtaugh, 68**

May 21, 1931 – Nov. 4, 1999

HARLAN – Patricia Jane Murtaugh was born May 21, 1931, to Frieda (Cassebarth) and Thomas Clarey in Denison. Baptized and confirmed at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Denison, she also attended St. Rose of Lima Elementary School later graduating from Denison Community High School. Following graduation, she worked as a legal secretary in Denison.

She married Francis "Frank" Murtaugh Jan. 3, 1953, at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Denison. Eight children were born to this union. The couple moved to Harlan, in 1954, following Frank's return from the Korean Conflict. She worked at the Practical Nursing School, and then Communication Data Service of Harlan. She was employed at CDS for eleven years. She died Nov. 4, 1999, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 68 years, five months and 23 days.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her daughter, Mary. She is survived by her husband, Francis of Harlan; two daughters, Theresa (Bill) Kane of Florida, NY; Kathleen (Sean) Noeth of Goshen, NY; five sons, Dan Murtaugh of Kansas City, MO; Tom Murtaugh (Jill) of Harlan; Bob Murtaugh of Port St. John, FL; Bill Murtaugh (Mary Sue) of Harlan; John Murtaugh (Mary) of Wayne, NE; eight grandchildren, Julie and Becky Murtaugh of Harlan; Kyle and Reid Murtaugh of Harlan; Joshua, Jessica, Tyler and Taysha Murtaugh of Wayne, NE; two brothers, Michael Clarey (Pat) of Co. Bluffs; Jack Clarey (Judy) of Denison; and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated Nov. 6, 1999, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan, with Rev. Howard Fitzgerald celebrant and Rev. David Polich homilist assisted by Rev. Mr. Pat Davitt. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery in Harlan, with Dan Murtaugh, Joshua Murtaugh, Tom Murtaugh, Bill Murtaugh, John Murtaugh, Bob Murtaugh and Kyle Murtaugh casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.