

Martha McCord, 87

Oct. 29, 1928 - March 25, 2016

AVOCA — Martha was born on October 29, 1928 to Marius and Meta (Jorgensen) Pedersen in Gray. Martha was the eldest of three siblings: Clara, Ethel and Morris. Martha's father passed away when she was young. The family moved to Kimballton. In Martha's junior year of high school, the family moved to Harlan. In May, 1947, Martha graduated from Harlan High School.

June 29, 1947, Martha married Robert Bradley McCord at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Harlan. To this union, three children were born: Melanie, Marlon and Melinda. Martha and Robert farmed for many years and loved to dance. Martha worked at Spurgeon's Department Store in Harlan for many years. She was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church and the Red Hat Society. Martha E. McCord passed away on Friday, March 25, 2016 at The Lodge in Avoca having attained the age of eighty seven years, four months and twenty five days.

Martha was preceded in death by her parents, husband Robert, and sisters Clara and Ethel. Survivors include her children: Melanie and her husband Peter Farley of Lake City; Marlon McCord and special friend Sheila of Des Moines; Melinda and her husband Mitch Jensen of Omaha, NE; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; brother Morris Pedersen of Los Angeles, CA.

A private family grave side service was held at Harlan Cemetery on Wednesday, June 1, 2016.



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