

### Phyllis Rickers, 92

July 20, 1921 - Oct. 17, 2013



**HARLAN** — Phyllis Virginia Rickers was born on July 20, 1921 in rural Shelby County west of Harlan, to George and Ida (Leucke) Campbell. She was baptized and confirmed at the First United Methodist Church in Harlan where she remained a lifelong member. She attended country school.

November 30, 1941, Phyllis was united in marriage to Quentin Rickers at the Harlan Methodist Church. The couple was blessed with three children: Douglas, Roger, and Linda. Phyllis enjoyed her role as wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. When her children were older, she took her love of cooking and baking to the school system where she worked in the kitchen as a cook. She was creative and loved to crochet and do counted cross stitch. She was active in the women's circle at church and eager to volunteer at various functions. She was a 52-year-member of the Lebanon Chapter No. 8 Order of the Eastern Star in Harlan and a member of the Daughters of the Nile, an organization that assists the Shriners. In 1989, Phyllis and Quentin moved into Harlan from the family farm. They loved to spend time relaxing at their place on Black Hawk Lake. Phyllis retired in 1993 and enjoyed her retirement with her husband until his death in June of 2007. She remained in their home until becoming a resident of Elm Crest Retirement Home in Harlan. It was there that she died on Thursday, October 17, 2013, having attained the age of ninety-two years, two months, and twenty-seven days.

Phyllis was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Quentin, her son Roger, her grandson Stephen Pedersen, brothers Sheldon and Kenneth Campbell, and sister Delores Rock. She is survived by her son Douglas Rickers and his wife Karen of Omaha, NE; daughter Linda and her husband Mike Pederson of Ankeny; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; brothers Keith Campbell and his wife Nadine and Russell Campbell all of Harlan and Victor Campbell and his wife Marie of Lady Lakes, Florida; sister-in-law Betty Campbell of Harlan; other family members and friends.

Pastor Darwin Moore officiated the 2:00 p.m. funeral service on Saturday, October 19, 2013 at Pauley Jones Funeral Home in Harlan. Honorary casket bearers were Tiffany Rickers, Linda



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Pederson, and Karen Rickers. Serving as casket bearers were Doug Rickers, Trew Rickers, Tyler Rickers, Mark Pederson, Bradley Pederson, and Mike Pederson. Interment was held at the Harlan Cemetery.