

September 16, 1981

THE LIFE STORY OF —

Florence A. Bartrug, 77

Florence Agnes Bartrug, daughter of John P. and Fidella R. Hinton Rheam, was born Dec. 12, 1903, at her parents' home in Co. Bluffs. She attended the Ave. B Grade school and graduated from Abraham Lincoln high school, both located in Co. Bluffs. She then was employed by the Northwestern Bell Telephone Co. for several years.

On Dec. 26, 1936, she married Harley Stafford in Audubon. They made their home in Audubon until Mr Stafford died in 1957. On Jan. 4, 1958, she married Alfred Bartrug in Muskegon, Mich. They lived in Muskegon for nine years, they then moved to Santa Ana, Calif., where they lived for the next four years until making their home in Omaha, Neb. In 1978, they moved to the Westridge Apartments in Harlan, which has been their home since that time. She was a former member of the Rebecca's and the Eastern Star Chapter, both of Audubon. She died at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan on Tuesday, Aug. 18, 1981, at the age of 77 years.

She is survived by her husband, Alfred of Harlan; her step son, Howard Bartrug of Topeka, Kans.; one brother, Jack Rheam of Omaha, Neb. and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan on Thursday, Aug. 20, 1981 with Pastor C. Donald Thrash of the First Baptist Church officiating. Burial was in Harlan Cemetery with Todd Nelson, Brian Nelson, Bruce Nelson, Ted Molgaard, Pat McPherson and Lenus Hartmann serving as casketbearers.