

# Carmelita Heese, 50

**Earling** — Carmelita Heese, daughter of Nicholas J. and Kathryn M. Heller Schechinger, was born at Portsmouth, on Oct. 26, 1929. She was baptized and confirmed at St. Mary's church in Portsmouth. She attended St. Mary's school and grew to adulthood in Portsmouth. After completing her schooling, Carmelita worked as a rural school teacher for a year.

On Sept. 28, 1948, she married Edward A. Heese in St. Mary's church, Portsmouth. Two sons were born to this union. They made their home in Earling. Carmelita attended the Barnes Beauty School in Co. Bluffs and then opened a shop in her home. In 1969, they moved to Harlan but Carmelita continued to work in the beauty shop in down town Earling. In 1975 they moved back to Earling and after Edward's death in Nov. of 1975, Carmelita continued to make her home in Earling. It was here that she died on Sunday, Nov. 11, 1979, at age 50 years and 15 days. She had been a long time member of St. Joseph's church in Earling.

In addition to her parents and her husband, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Urban and Damion Schechinger; and by a sister, Gemma Sonderman. Survivors include her sons - Randy Heese of Thornton, Colo. & Rick Heese of Denver, Colo.; a grandson; two sisters - Marita (Mrs Vince Sonderman) of Portsmouth and Kathryn (Mrs Ed Rosenthal) of Arizona; two brothers - Willard Schechinger of Co. Bluffs and Nick M. Schechinger of Portsmouth; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Joseph's church in Earling on Saturday, Nov. 17, 1979, with Rev. Jon Kautzky as celebrant. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery, Earling, with Bob Kenkel, Jim Bieker, Terry Bieker, Wayne Graeve, Guyle Sonderman and Terry Schechinger serving as pallbearers.

Pauley Funeral Home was in charge of the services.

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