

Clara M Kloewer, 68

Harlan - Clara Marie Kloewer, daughter of Joseph and Catherine Blum Goetzinger, was born Aug. 17, 1912, on a farm near Templeton. She was baptized and confirmed at the Catholic church. Clara attended school in Defiance, and grew to adulthood on the family farm.

On Jan. 11, 1932, she married Otto Kloewer in St. Peter's church, Defiance. Ten children were born to this union. After their marriage they farmed near Westphalia for four years. They later lived in the Dunlap and Earling communities before moving to Harlan in 1962. This has been their home since that time. She was a member of St. Michael's church, Harlan, St. Michael's Guild, the Rosary Society, and Catholic Daughters of America, St. Catherine's Court No. 266 of Earling. She died at Myrtue Memorial hospital on Sunday, Oct. 19, 1980, at age 68 years, 2 months and 2 days.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one son, Robert and one sister, Helen. Survivors include, her husband, Otto of Harlan; three sons, Eugene of Omaha, Nebr., John of Omaha, Nebr., and Raymond of Harlan; six daughters - Rose (Mrs Frank) Feldman of Omaha, Theresa (Mrs Harlan) Johnson of Omaha, Bernice (Mrs Ray) Aschoff of Omaha, Lucille (Mrs Mick) Schmidt of Harlan, Mary Jane (Mrs Daie) Swanson of Harlan and Joanne Rickers of Des Moines; 41 grandchildren and one step-granddaughter; one great grandson; five brothers - LaVerne Goetzinger of Arion, Edward Goetzinger of Westphalia, Virgil Goetzinger of Alma, Mich., Charles Goetzinger of Defiance and Leroy Goetzinger of Defiance; seven sister - Irene (Mrs Clarence) Backhaus of Manilla, Elizabeth (Mrs Peter) Kloewer of Defiance, Lucille (Mrs Ed) Hoxworth of Omaha, Marcella (Mrs Ed) Foley of Carroll, Josephine (Mrs Albert) Haller of Defiance, Clea Haven of Co. Bluffs, and Rose Marie (Mrs Everett) Rasmussen of Co. Bluffs and other relatives.

A Concelebrated Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Michael's church, Harlan on Wednesday, Oct. 22, 1980, with Rev. Richard G. Wagner as celebrant and Msgr. John McIlhon and Rev. Robert Schoeman as concelebrants. Burial was in St. Boniface cemetery, Westphalia, with Todd Kloewer, Jeff Johnson, Scott Aschoff, Michael Schmidt, Edward J. Feldman and William D. Kloewer serving as pallbearers.