

Kathryn Martha Schiltz, 89

Kathryn Martha Schiltz, the daughter of Benedict and Anna Schwarte Blum was born July 27, 1894, near Westphalia. She attended St. Boniface school in Westphalia.

On Jan. 8, 1913, she married Joseph Martin Schiltz at Westphalia. To this union were born nine children. They farmed near Panama, then Defiance and finally in 1945 they moved to the Manilla area to farm. Joseph passed away June 27, 1963, shortly thereafter, Kathryn moved to Manilla.

Kathryn was a member of Sacred Heart parish in Manilla and was active in the Altar Society and other church organizations. She loved flowers and spent many hours quilting. During her years on the farm, Kathryn was especially talented in the art of bookkeeping. She made her home in Manilla until Nov., 1972 when she moved to the Little Flower Haven Nursing Home in Earling. She had been failing in health for several months and died at Myrtue Memorial hospital in Harlan on Monday, Dec. 5, 1983 at the age of 89 years, 4 months and 8 days.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, three brothers: Frank, Herman and Brother George and by three sisters: Sr. Hermanita (Lena) Antoinette Kenkel and Ann in infancy; by one grandchild and one great grandchild. She is survived by nine children: Anna Marie (Mrs Ray) Conway of O'Neill, Neb., Anthony Benedict Schiltz of Earling, Joseph Francis Schiltz of Manilla, Carolyn Marie (Mrs Eugene) Denning of Neola, Theresa Agnes (Mrs Robert) Wilson of Irving, Texas, Michael Anthony Schiltz of Bancroft, Hermanette Ann (Mrs Robert) Tahnk of Manning, Mary Margaret (Mrs Donald) Poole of Harlan, Laurina Catherine (Mrs Duane Schleisman of Omaha, Neb.; 48 grandchildren; 42 great-grandchildren; five sisters and two brothers: Sr. Georgiana and Sr. Rose, both of LaCross, Wisc., Wm. Blum, Marie Blum and Vincent Blum, all of Westphalia, Corine (Mrs Nick) Bissen of Earling and Sr. Marie Ann of Calmar; as well as many nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Dec. 7, 1983 at the Sacred Heart church in Manilla with Rev. Robert Fangman, officiating. Burial was in Mount Olive cemetery in Manilla with James Schiltz, William Schiltz, Thomas Schiltz, Steven Tank, Albert Conway, Donald Denning, Douglas Poole and Thaddeus Schleisman serving as casketbearers.

Ohde Funeral Home in Manilla was in charge of arrangements.