

**Eunice Assmann, 89****Feb. 2, 1925 - Feb. 11, 2014**

**PANAMA** — Eunice Assmann was born on February 2, 1925 to Charles and Julia (Dressen) Miller on the family farm one half mile west of Earling. She was baptized and confirmed at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling and graduated from St. Joseph's High School in 1942. She received normal training and began teaching country school.

September 12, 1944, Eunice was united in marriage to Norbert "Nub" Assmann at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling. They were blessed with eleven children: David, Darlene, Roger, Peggy, Pat, Beverly, Duane, Don, Larry, Norma, and Scott. After their marriage, they farmed near Dunlap, spent four years on a farm north of Harlan, then moved to their farm west of Panama where they spent their lives. Eunice enjoyed raising her children and helping her husband on the farm for forty-six years. In addition, she had a large garden and liked to can the vegetables and donate some of them to the Catholic School. In 1969, Eunice and Norbert purchased a café and bar in Panama and operated "Nub's Pub" in addition to farming. On September 12, 1982, the pub was destroyed by fire. It was rebuilt and reopened on February 1, 1983. In 1990, the couple retired from farming and moved into Panama four years later. They also celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary in 1994 and after her husband's death the following year, was able to stay in their home. Eunice remained a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and was a member of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court St. Katherine, #266 of Earling. In November of last year, Eunice went to visit her son in Florida where she became ill and died peacefully, after having a visit from all of her children, on Tuesday, February 11, 2014, having attained the age of eighty-nine years and nine days.

Eunice was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Norbert, grandson Justin Assmann, sisters Shirley Lefebber and Vergie Goeres, and brother Tony Miller. The "Queen of Panama" will forever be missed by her children: David Assmann and his friend Vickie Fowler of Melbourne Beach, FL, Darlene "Mase" and her husband Bill Bruck of Portsmouth, Roger Assmann and his wife Sue of Woodbine, Peggy and her husband Dave Bissen of Defiance, Pat Leinen and her friend Dean Sandage of Dunlap, Beverly and her husband Allen Bruck of Panama, Duane "Dewey" Assmann and his wife Patty of Harlan, Don "Flick" Assmann and his wife Mary Sue of Panama, Larry "Chub" Assmann and his wife Chris of Panama, Norma and her husband Dean Gubbels of Panama, and Scott Assmann and his wife Denise of Panama; thirty-one grandchildren; forty-three great-grandchildren; sister Kathleen Erlbacher of Denison; in-laws: Jerry Assmann and his wife Ollie of Arvada, CO and Carole and her husband Denny Schaben of Highlands Ranch, CO; other family members and many friends.

The 10:30 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated by Rev. John Dorton along with concelebrants Msgr. Gerald Stessman, Msgr. Larry Beeson, Rev. Mike Peters, and Rev. Don Bruck on Monday, February 17, 2014 at St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church in Panama. Music was provided by Tyler Gubbels and Bob Mages. Honorary casket bearers were Paul Theulen, Brian Arkfeld, Bill Bruck, Dave Bissen, Dean Sandage, Allen Bruck, Dean Gubbels, Sue Assmann, Patty Assmann, Mary Sue Assmann, Chris Assmann, and Denise Assmann. Serving as casket bearers were her sons: David Assmann, Roger Assmann, Duane Assmann, Don Assmann, Larry Assmann, and Scott Assmann. Burial was held at St. Mary's Cemetery in Panama.



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