

Charlotte Assman, 84

Dec. 18, 1928 - Oct. 18, 2013

EARLING — Charlotte Frances Assman, the daughter of Phillip and Barbara Wettengel Shields was born on December 18, 1928 in Dunlap. She was baptized and confirmed at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Dunlap where she attended school and grew to adulthood.

April 8, 1947, Charlotte was united in marriage to Sylvester (Puppy) Assman at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Dunlap. Fourteen children were born to this union, Nancy, Kenneth, Cindy, Diana, Shiela, Mark, Steve, Ann, Jim, Paul, Julie, Charles, Brenda and Brad. After their marriage Charlotte and Puppy moved to a farm west of Earling where they continued to live until 1989, when they moved into Earling. While residing in the Earling area they became active members of St. Joseph's Catholic Church. She was a member of Catholic Daughters of the Americas, St. Katherine's Court #0266 of Earling for fifty-four years. Charlotte was a wife and mother first. A great homemaker, she was excellent at cooking and baking for her family. Raising a family of that size required many sacrifices on her part, always seeing to the needs of her husband and children. She could discipline with a strong will but remained a loving wife and mother, earning the respect of her family and the community. Her gracious nature became an example for her children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and a multitude of other family and friends. Charlotte died at her home in Earling on October 18, 2013 having attained the age of 84 years and ten months, with all fourteen of her children at her bedside.

In addition to her parents Charlotte was preceded in death by her husband Sylvester "Puppy", daughter-in-law Gayle Assman, son-in-law Dr. Duane Harris, and her sisters; Joanne, Loretta and Genevive. Survivors include her children: Nancy and her husband Thomas Hooker of Williamson, NY; Kenneth Assman of Omaha, NE; Cindy and her husband Todd Henderson of Spirit Lake; Diana Churchill and her friend Mo Spence of Omaha; Shiela and her husband Sam Sonderman of Earling; Mark Assman and his wife Cathy of Earling; Steve Assman and his wife Jackie of Earling; Ann Zimmerman and her friend Joe Gladden of Kansas City, MO; Jim Assman and his wife Debbie of Barre, VT; Paul Assman and his wife Jody of Denison; Julie and her husband Greg Pollard of Forest City; Charles Assman and his wife Janice of Earling; Brenda and her husband Bryan Blum of Harlan; and Brad Assman and his wife Trisha of Rockwell City; forty-five grandchildren; thirty-three great grandchildren; her sisters: Phyllis and her husband Darrell Hansen of Woodbine; Barb Stracke of Harlan and Mary and her husband Ray Wilwerding of Earling; In-laws: Jerry (Ollie) Assman of Arvada, CO, Carole (Denny) Schaben of Highlands Ranch, CO and Eunice Assmann of Panama; nieces and nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Rev. Chuck Kottas celebrated the 11:00 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial with Concelebrants Msgr. Jerry Stessman and Rev. Don Bruck on Monday, October 21, 2013 at St.



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Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling. Music was provided by John Rosman, Jerry Baldwin, and EveVonne Muff. Serving as casket bearers were Kenneth Assman, Mark Assman, Steve Assman, Jim Assman, Paul Assman, Charles Assman, and Brad Assman. Interment was held at St. Joseph's Cemetery in Earling.