

Lorena Mary Buman, 91

March 26, 1908 - June 8, 1999

BELLEVUE, NE - Lorena M. (Ryan) Buman, daughter of Edward and Teresa (Humphrey) Ryan, was born March 26, 1908, at Monona. She was baptized and confirmed at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Monona and attended school at St. Patrick's Catholic School in Monona, graduating with the class of 1926, at age 16. She then attended the Iowa State University in Ames receiving her Bachelor of Science degree in textiles and clothing in 1929, and her Masters degree in education in 1932. She taught home economics and coached high school girls basketball in Du Bois, PA.

April 2, 1934, she married Edwin J. Buman at St. Patrick's Church in Monona. Four children were born to this union, Edwin Jr., Mary, Rita Anne and Teresa. After their marriage, they farmed southwest of Harlan. She dedicated many years to 4-H. She was a member of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court of St. Katherine's No. 266 of Earling. She died June 8, 1999, at the Hillcrest Care and Rehabilitation Center in Bellevue, NE, at age 91 years, two months and 13 days.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Edwin; a daughter, Rita Anne; a granddaughter, Amanda; her brothers and sisters, Ester, Genevieve, Margaret, Dr. Allen (a physician at Harlan for many years), Edmund, Emmett, Dr. Louis, Mary and Donald. Survivors include her children, Ed Buman (Linda) of Harlan; Mary (Rev. Emmanuel Charles) McCarthy of Brockton, MA; Teresa (Jan) Smit of Colfax, WI; 19 grandchildren; four great grandchildren and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated June 11, 1999, at St. Mary Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Portsmouth, with Msgr. Edward Kelly celebrant and homilist with Rev. Paul Bianchi and Rev. Emmanuel Charles McCarthy concelebrating. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery in Portsmouth, with Greg Smit, Joy McCarthy, Adam Smit, Mary McCarthy, Tom McCarthy and Erin McCarthy casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

