

Dolores E. Fuhs, 71

Dec. 30, 1930 - May 22, 2002

WESTPHALIA - Dolores Eleanor Fuhs was born to Cecelia (Schechinger) and Frank Kramer, Sr., Dec. 20, 1930, on a farm near Defiance. She was baptized at St. Peter's Catholic Church and attended St. Paul's Catholic School in Defiance. She was one of 17 children.

May 4, 1953, she married William "Bill" Fuhs at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Defiance. To this union 12 children were born. After their marriage, they farmed on the Fuhs home place northwest of Portsmouth until 1982. She continued to reside there until 2001 when she moved to Westphalia. She was a vital part of the farm operation. A member of St. Mary Our Lady

of Fatima Catholic Church in Portsmouth since 1953, she was also a member of Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court of St. Katherine No. 266 of Earling. She died May 22, 2002, at her home in Westphalia, at age 71 years, five months and three days.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Bill Fuhs, July 10, 1996; one daughter, Sandra Fuhs; brothers, Francis, Raymond, Lawrence, Gerald, James, Anthony, Victor and Norbert Kramer; and sisters, Cecilia and Patricia Kramer. She is survived by her children, John Fuhs (Linda) of Council Bluffs; Janet (Joe) Kohles of Ralston, NE; Randy Fuhs and his fiancée, Loretta of Fremont, OH; Dan Fuhs and his fiancée, Marthann of Defiance; Carole Fuhs and her friend, Lyle of Harlan; Richard Fuhs of Earling; Eugene Fuhs of Portsmouth; Donald Fuhs (Dianne) of Blair, NE; Cheryl Fuhs of Palm Beach, FL; Joan (Joe) Gubbels of Westphalia; Jill (Brian) Holloway of Westphalia; 18 grandchildren; sisters, Irene Friesen of Council Bluffs; Lillian Schaben of Harlan; Rita (Verdy) Klocke of Cascade; Theresa (Thomas) Grote of Portsmouth; Leona (Joe) Bissen of Clarinda; Mary (Francis) Heese of Earling; sisters-in-law, Marlene Kramer of South Bend, NE and Alma Bissen of Harlan; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated by Rev. Paul Bianchi and Rev. Michael G. Peters May 25, 2002, at St. Mary Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Portsmouth. Burial was held at St. Mary's Cemetery in Portsmouth, with Jason Fuhs, Jake Holloway, Jake Fuhs, John Kohles, David Fuhs, Jeff Kohles, Jack Gubbels, Colin Fuhs, Caleb Bissen and J.D. Fuhs honorary casket bearers and Dan Fuhs, Eugene Fuhs, Rich Fuhs, Randy Fuhs, John Fuhs and Donald Fuhs casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

