

Mary Frances Hastert, 84

PANAMA— Mary Frances Hastert, daughter of Martin and Anna Griener Kaufmann was born Feb. 26, 1904 near Westphalia. She attended St. Boniface School. On Sept. 15, 1925, she married August J. Hastert at Westphalia. They farmed near Westphalia until 1928, then moved to a farm near Panama. She had been an active member of St. Mary's parish and Altar Society. She died Jan. 12, 1989 at the Dunlap Care Center at age 84 years, 10 months and 16 days.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two sons, August (Pete) in 1972; George in 1981; two grandsons, Paul Hastert and Mike Rueschenberg; three brothers, Peter, Pat and Joe and one sister, Emma Kaufmann. Survivors include her husband, August of Panama; three sons, Jacob of Westphalia; Joseph and Christopher both of Panama; three daughters, Anna (Mrs Delbert) Rueschenberg of Westphalia; Alice (Mrs Herman) Esser of Earling and Rita (Mrs William) Finken of Harlan; one brother, George Kaufmann of Harlan; three sisters, Cecelia Kloewer of Harlan; Dorothy McKeighan of Denison and Sister Rose of Portland, OR. She is also survived by 25 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren, many nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Jan. 14 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Panama with Fr. Paul Bianchi as the celebrant. Burial was in St. Mary's cemetery with Lyle Esser, Bill Finken, Bill Hastert, Tim Hastert, David Finken, Robert Hastert, Richard Hastert, Joe Rueschenberg, Jerry Rueschenberg, Frank Rueschenberg and Edward Rueschenberg as casket bearers. Arrangements by Burmeister Funeral Home.