

Anna Kloewer, 94

DEFIANCE — Anna Kloewer, the daughter of Michael and Mary (Lockman) Rau, was born on Feb. 6, 1893, at Westphalia. She was baptized, received her First Communion and was confirmed at St. Boniface Catholic church in Westphalia. She attended school in Westphalia.

On Jan. 20, 1920, she married Frank Kloewer at St. Boniface Catholic church in Westphalia. Ten children were born to this union. After their marriage, they farmed near Westphalia for 23 years. They then moved to a farm near Defiance. In 1961, they moved into Defiance. After the death of Frank in Sept. of 1974, she continued to live in Defiance until she became a resident of the Little Flower Haven in Earling in Jan. of 1985. It was there she died May 13, 1987 at age 94 years, three months and seven days.

She was a past member of St. Boniface Catholic church in Westphalia. She was a member of St. Peter's Catholic church in Defiance; St. Peter's Altar Society and Catholic Daughters of America; St. Katherine's Court No. 266, Earling.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a son, Eugene, who was killed in France during WWII; four grandsons, Jerry Kloewer, Gene Leinen, Tom Block and Bruce Kloewer; two sisters, Eleanor Kloewer and Frances Kleffman and one brother, Gilbert Rau. She is survived by four sons, Gerald of Irwin; Roman of Panama; Charles of Mapleton and Michael of Manilla; five daughters, Rita Leinen of Portsmouth; Marie Block of Dunlap; Sr. Frances Kloewer of Earling; Margaret (Mrs Raphael) Grote of Dunlap; and Stella (Mrs Joe) Bexten of Manilla; 49 grandchildren; 72 great-grandchildren; six-great-great grandchildren and three brothers, Tony Rau of Earling; Frank Rau of Westphalia and Ray Rau of Harlan; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated May 16, 1987 at St. Peter's Catholic church in Defiance with Rev. Garry Culver as the celebrant and Rev. Lawrence Beeson and Rev. Greg Leach as con-celebrants. Burial was in Sts. Peter and Paul cemetery, Defiance with Dean Block, Steve Daeges, Marvin Leinen, Raymond Grote, Jim Bexten, Andy Kloewer, Larry Kloewer and Denis Kloewer serving as casketbearers.

Pauley Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.