

Elizabeth Kloewer, 89

Nov. 29, 1901 — Oct. 3, 1991

WESTPHALIA — Elizabeth Mary Kloewer, daughter of Joseph and Mary Bock, was born Nov. 29, 1901, in Germany. She was baptized and confirmed in the Catholic Church in Germany and in 1924, she came to the United States, settling in Shelby county near Westphalia, with the Joe Book family.

She worked in area homes and Jan. 18, 1927, she married Anton Kloewer at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia. Eight children were born to this union. After their marriage, they farmed near Westphalia until 1954, when they moved into Westphalia. After Anton's death Oct. 20, 1956, she continued to reside in her own home until 1989, when she became a resident of the Little Flower Haven in Earling. This has been her home since that time. She died Oct. 3, 1991, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 89 years, 10 months and four days. In addition to being a member of St. Boniface Catholic Church, she was a member of the Altar and Rosary Society, and the sewing circle of Westphalia.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband; an infant daughter, Viola; her brothers and sisters, and two grandchildren, Jerry Kloewer and Kelly Specht. Surviving her are three sons, Norbert Kloewer (Patricia) of Kirkman; Walter of Omaha, NE.; and Leo Kloewer (Alice) of Harlan; four daughters, Agnes (Stan) Janulewicz of Omaha; Bernice (Harold) Rueschenberg and Leona (Delbert) Klein, both of Westphalia, and Betty Specht of New Holland, PA.; a foster son, Walter Book (Marie) of Phoenix, AZ.; 22 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Oct. 7, 1991, at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia with Rev. Paul Bianchi, celebrant. Burial was in St. Boniface cemetery with Dale Klein, Danny Klein, Daryl Klein, Mike Kloewer, Doug Kloewer, Tony Kloewer, Bob Rueschenberg and Roger Schmitz casketbearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.