

Eva Kloewer, 86

Mar. 31, 1906 — Dec. 23, 1992

DEFIANCE — Eva Marie Kloewer, daughter of John and Carrie (Fiscus) Peerman was born March 31, 1906 in Kirkman. She was baptized and confirmed in St. Peter's Catholic Church in Defiance in 1926.

April 6, 1926, she married Al Kloewer at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Defiance. Thirteen children were born to this union. After their marriage, they lived north of Defiance for two years before moving to Earling. In 1935, they moved back to Defiance. They enjoyed 35 years of marriage.

In Jan. of 1961, she was instrumental in establishing the hot lunch program at St. Paul's School in Defiance. Following Al's death in July of 1961, she continued to work as a cook at the school in Defiance until it closed in 1978. The past 18 months, she has been a resident of the Baptist Memorial Home in Harlan, because of ill health. She died Dec. 23, 1992, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan, at age 86 years, 8 months and 23 days. She as a member of St. Peter's Catholic Church in Defiance; the Catholic Daughters of America; and has served as president of the Altar Society and Eucharist Minister of Communion.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband; one brother, Harold; 4 sisters, Beulah, Lois, Cora, and Loretta; and 2 grandchildren. She is survived by 4 sons, Don (Mildred) Kloewer, Bob (Karen) Kloewer, John (Annette) Kloewer and Rick (Nancy) Kloewer, all of Defiance; 9 daughters, Kathryn (Jack) Cook of Omaha, NE.; Janette (Robert) Dotzler of Defiance; Lucille (Gene) Richards and Dorothy (Bill) Johnston, both of Omaha; Lorrene (Bernard) Assmann of Dunlap; Jane (Eldon) Meyer of Lees Summit,



MO.; Joan (John) Strudthoff of Woodstock, GA.; Mary Ann (Clyde) Meyer of Omaha; and Suzanne (Delbert) Lehan of Marcus; 42 grandchildren; 42 great-grandchildren; one sister, Fern Eblen of Cumberland; one brother, Dale Peerman of Sacramento, CA.; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated Dec. 26, 1992, at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Defiance with Rev. Dennis Trausch, celebrant. Concelebrating was Rev. Edward Kelly, Rev. Fred Reischl, Rev. James Wilwerding, Rev. Eugene Klein, Rev. Cornelius Gaul, Rev. Don Bruck, and Rev. Mike Berner.

Burial was in St. Peter and Paul cemetery in Defiance with Jon Meyer, Craig Lehan, Tony Meyer and Pat Kloewer honorary casketbearers. Casketbearers were Don Cook, Greg Strudthoff, Dan Richards, Mike Dotzler, Denny Kloewer and Andy Assmann. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.