

Heather Sue Kloewer, 18

May 17, 1981 - Feb. 1, 2000

DEFIANCE - Heather Sue Kloewer was born May 17, 1981, to Denise Ann (Muhlbauer) and Dennis J. Kloewer in Denison. She was baptized and confirmed at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Defiance, where she remained a member until her death. Heather attended school in Harlan, later transferring to the Irwin, Kirkman, Manilla High School where Nov. 24, 1999, she was the first member of the class of 2000 to graduate. She was an active participant at St. Peter's Catholic Church. She was involved with CYO, CCD as well as, contributing as a mass server. She participated in numerous sports, but softball was her favorite. Children were a vital part of Heather's life. Her nephews were a source of constant joy as was her time spent working at Kiddie Kampus in Denison. Heather found her accounting tasks at K & S Oil of Irwin both stimulating and challenging. She was active in the "Make A Wish Foundation" modeling at their style show and assisting with their Christmas gifts and programs. During the past two years, she has shown immeasurable courage, a strong, positive attitude and a will, determined never to give up. Heather died Feb. 1, 2000, at age 18 years, eight months and 15 days.

She was preceded in death by her Uncle Dean and her great grandparents. In addition to her parents, she is survived by her brother, Jeromy Kloewer of Irwin; her sister, Keri (Todd) Ahrenholtz of Manilla; paternal grandparents, Don and Mickey Kloewer of Defiance; maternal grandparents, Dave and Marilyn Muhlbauer of Vail; nephews, Dakota and Justin of Manilla; boyfriend, Chad Krajicek of Harlan and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated with Rev. Michael Berner celebrant, Rev. John Thomas as concelebrant and Rev. Thomas Crowley as the homilist. Burial was in Sts. Peter and Paul Cemetery in Defiance, with Beth Hagedorn, Larry Hagedorn, Ashley Hagedorn, Jody Hagedorn and the IKM Senior Class of 2000 honorary casket bearers. Casket bearers were Niki Bauer, Jamie McCullough, Blake Gaer, Melissa Gruhn, Andy Schaben, Katie Larson, Amy Meggers and Amanda Ahrenholtz. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

