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Mathilda Morfeld, 84

Feb. 19, 1911 - March 6, 1995

Panama - Mathilda Theresa Morfeld, daughter-of August and Elizabeth (Kenkel) Sonderman was born Feb. 19, 1911 at Earling. She was baptized and confirmed at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling and attended St. Joseph's School. After school she worked as a housekeeper for various farm families in the area.

Jan. 31, 1933 she married Joseph Louis Morfeld at St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Three sons were born to this union. After their marriage, they moved to a farm near Panama. After retiring from farming in 1976, they continued to reside on the farm until 1983 when they moved into their home in Panama. After the death of Joseph Dec. 20, 1991, she continued to reside in her own home until Dec. 29, 1994 when she became a resident of the Baptist Memorial Home in Harlan. It was there that she died March 6, 1995 at age 84 years and 15 days. She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Panama, St. Mary's Sewing Circle and the Altar Society and was actively involved in several card clubs. She organized the West Side Circle Club in 1954 of which there are still five members left.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by two sisters, Barbara Sonderman and Margaret Huebner and four brothers, John, Joseph, Vincent and Albert Sonderman. She is survived by her sons, Melvin (Arlene) Morfeld and Russell (Charlene) Morfeld of Omaha and Thomas (Letha) Morfeld of LaCrosse, WI; five grandchildren, three great-grandchildren; a brother, Alfred (Rita) Sonderman of Akron, OH and a sister,

Lavine Rosman of Earling; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated March 10, 1995 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Panama with Rev. Don Daleke celebrant. Concelebrating were Rev. Frank Kinney, Msgr. Edward Kelly and Rev. Don Bruck. Burial was in St. Mary's cemetery with Allen Bruck, Harry Sonderman, Scott Kenkel, David Kenkel, Bob Sonderman and John Sonderman casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.