

Hilda Mueller, 89

June 24, 1914 - Oct. 27, 2003

HARLAN – Hilda Marie Mueller, the youngest child of Frank and Katrina Klowers Mueller was born June 24, 1914, on a farm near Westphalia, and was the youngest of 12 children born into this union. Hilda was baptized and confirmed and also received her education in St. Boniface Catholic School in Westphalia through the eighth grade. Hilda worked at home, much as her sisters before her, and cared for her parents during their declining years. After her mother's death, she continued on at home and when Little Flower Nursing Home was opened in February of 1964, she was the first nurses aide employed there. She worked there two years. In April of 1966, she began working as a housekeeper at Myrtue Memorial Hospital which she continued until June of 1974, when ill health caused her to terminate her job. She has been active in Blue Circle's work for the Medical Missions, sewing hospital gowns and assembling layettes. She became a Harlan resident in 1978, where she resided until she became a resident at Little Flower Haven two months before her death. Hilda died Oct. 27, 2003, at Little Flower Haven at age 89 years, four months and three days.

Her parents; her brothers, Joe, Alfons and Al; her sisters, Anna, Frances, Cocolia, Dorothy, Rose, Marie, Catherine and Veronica, preceded Hilda in death. She is survived by her 38 nieces, nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Oct. 30, 2003, at St. Michael's Catholic Church with Rev. Robert Hoeffler celebrant. Casket bearers were Donald Mueller, Mike Hahn, Jim Henscheid, Dale Graeve and John Koesters. Burial was held in the St. Boniface Cemetery in Westphalia. Pauley Jones Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.