Viola Ranniger, 69

Oct. 26, 1922 - March 8, 1992

MANILLA — Viola Francis, the second of 12 children born to Edward and Katherine Schechinger Henkelman, was born Oct. 26, 1922 near Defiance. She attended Defiance schools, graduating in 1939. After graduation she moved to Chicago and then to CA., where she worked in a military plant.

In 1945 she returned to IA., and Feb. 27, 1946 she married Wayne L. Ranniger at Manilla. To this union five children were born, Carol Joy, James, Bill, Gaylin, and Royce. They lived in Manning for a short time after their marriage and then moved to their present farm north of Aspirwall. She was a member of the Sacred Heart parish in Manning and until recent years, was active in the Altar Society. Her health began to fail in Aug. of 1991 and she was in and out of the hospital, as she wanted to be at home as much as possible. She died March 8, 1992, at the Manning General Hospital, at age 69 years, 4 months and 11 days.

She was preceded in death by her parents and by six brothers, Edward, Clarence, James, Al, Jack and Donald Henkelman. Survivors include her husband, Wayne of Manning; her children, Carol Joy (Joe) Lally of Denison; James at home; Bill Ranniger (Deb) of Manning; Gaylin (Jan) of Manning; and Royce (Kathy) of Sioux City; 15 grandchildren; her mother-in-law, Christine Tesch of the Manning Plaza; two brothers, Maurice Henkelman (Julie) of Manilla and Morelle Henkelman of Kansas; three sisters, Sidona Jarvis of Las Vegas, NV.; Mildred (Stan) Nissen of Las Cruces, N.M., and Patricia Lingle of Co. Bluffs; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

The Rite of Christian Burial was held March 11, 1992 at Sacred Heart Church, Manning, celebrant was Rev. Fr. Ralph Reinhart. Burial was in Sacred Heart cemetery, Manning. Casketbearers were Robert Phillips, Albert Sturm, Russ Ranniger, Wilbur Hill, Robert Kruse and Wayne Jahn.

Ohde Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.