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Ruth Scheffler, 69

Dec. 23, 1921 - Oct. 12, 1991

TENNANT – Ruth Elizabeth Scheffler, daughter of Joseph and Anna Marie (Maeges) Krantz was born Dec. 23, 1921 at Manilla. She died at the Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan, Oct. 12, 1991, at age 69 years, 9 months and 20 days. As an infant she moved with her family several times in the Shelby county area until they settled on a farm at Manteno east of Dunlap. She was baptized, received her First Communion and was confirmed at St. Patrick's Catholic Church at Dunlap. She attended country school at Manteno and in Ames for two years. She later attended Harlan High School through the 10th grade.

Jan. 17, 1938, she married Omer Scheffler at Carroll. Five children were born to this union. After their marriage, they farmed for many years on different farms in the Shelby county area until they settled on a farm 4 1/2 miles north of Harlan for 13 years. They then moved to a farm near Prairie Rose State Park southeast of Harlan for a few years, before moving to Harlan in 1969. Fifteen years later they moved to a farm near Tennant. This has been their home since that time. She was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one son, Joseph; one grandson, Tyrone Scheffler; and one brother, Eurban Krantz. Survivors are her husband, Omer of Portsmouth; one daughter, Crystal (Jim) Boardman of Portsmouth; three sons, Tyrone of Kirkman; Henry (Judy) and Jack (Linda) all of Harlan; 17 grandchildren; 10 great grandchildren; five sisters, Viola (Mrs Norbert) Truhe of Carroll; Elaine (Mrs Earl) Jacobs of Northwood; Patricia (Mrs Harry) Henkleman of Oxford; Anna Mae (Mrs Leonard) Kramer of Harlan and Cleopha (Mrs Robert) Garrison of Iowa City; two brothers, Walter Krantz (Bernice) and Vince Krantz, both of Harlan; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Oct. 15, 1991 at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan with Msgr. Michael Schwarte celebrant and Deacon Pat Davitt homilist. Burial was in the Shelby cemetery with Bill Scheffler, Joe Scheffler, Tom Scheffler, John Scheffler, Mark Boardman and Clint Scheffler honorary casketbearers. Casketbearers were Jim Scheffler, Mike Scheffler, Kale Scheffler, Curtis Scheffler, Steve Boardman, and Wayne Boardman. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.