

Alexia Schwery, 80

PANAMA - Alexia Julianne "Granny" Schwery, the daughter of Anton and Mary (Wingert) Hoffmann was born in Panama on Aug. 10, 1908. She died at Myrtue Memorial Hospital on Jan. 9, 1989 at age 80 years, four months and 30 days. She was baptized, received her First Communion and was confirmed at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Panama. She attended St. Mary's School in Panama and was an active 4-H member in her teens.

Sept. 3, 1929, she married Anton "Tony" Schwery at St. Mary's Church in Panama. Five children were born to this union. After their marriage, the Schwerys farmed in the Panama area until 1968, when they retired and moved into their new home in Panama. After the death of Tony in June of 1972, she continued to live in Panama until Aug. of 1988, when she became a resident of Little Flower Haven in Earling, her home since that time. She was a lifetime member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, the Westside Social Club and the American Legion Auxiliary. She enjoyed quilting, sewing and crocheting as her hobbies.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a son, Michael; a grandson, Gerard Greiner; a sister, Mathilda; and a brother, Fredrick. She is survived by three sons, George, Joseph and Ralph all of Panama; and a daughter, Rosemary (Mrs Ed) Greiner of Panama; 35 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren, a brother, Edward Hoffmann; and a sister, Cornelia (Mrs Walter) Leuschen also of Panama; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Jan. 12, 1989 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Panama with Rev. Paul Bianchi as celebrant, assisted by Deacon Pat Davitt. Burial was in St. Mary's cemetery at Panama with Don Greiner, Phil, Tom, Nick, Pat and Neil Schwery, John Huebert, Dr. Tim Greiner and David Schwery as casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.