

## Doris Schneider, 80

*April 13, 1923 - Dec. 18, 2003*

**EARLING** - Doris Susan Schneider, the daughter of Anton "Tony" and Cecilia Heese Finken, was born April 13, 1923, in Earling. She was baptized and confirmed at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling and graduated from St. Joseph High School. After her graduation from high school she worked as a mother's helper.

Doris married Walter Schneider April 28, 1943, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling. This was a marriage that ended March 21, 2003, five weeks before their 60th wedding anniversary. In addition to being a wife, Doris was a homemaker. She was a member of the St. Boniface Parish in Westphalia where she was a member of the Altar Society. She remained on the family farm until her recent move to Elm Crest Retirement Community in Harlan. Doris died Dec. 18, 2003, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 80 years, eight months and five days.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Walter; one son, Russell Schneider; granddaughter, Krista Fitzgerald; grandson, Greg Schneider; brothers and sisters, Theoletta Finken, Sylvester, Austin, Irene Goeser, Vera Munchrath, Dennis and Tony Jr. She is survived by her children, Kenneth Schneider (Kim) of Portsmouth; Jane (Kenneth) Foxhoven of Earling; Jerome "Buzz" Schneider (Connie) of Westphalia; Richard Schneider (Janet) of Avoca; Allen Schneider (Susan) of Harlan; Mary Lee (Gary) Fitzgerald of Clare; Denise (Mark) Andries of Cedar Rapids; Jean (Ken) Friesen of Crescent; Sandra (John) Busch of Claremore, OK; Pamela (Schneider) (George) Gingrich of Walnut; brothers and sisters, Marie Ebert of El Paso, TX; Edith Schneider of Harlan; Ivo Finken (Mildred) of Earling; daughter-in-law, Barbara Fultano of Urbandale; other in-laws, Betty Finken, Delbert Munchrath, Luella Kloewer, Vera Nelson, Joseph Leuschen and Mildred (Andy) Bruck; 29 grandchildren; eight great grandchildren; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Dec. 22, 2003, at St. Boniface Church in Westphalia, with Rev. Michael G. Peters celebrant. Honorary casket bearers were Nicholas Andries, Jeremy Schneider, Michael Andries, Alex Friesen, Douglas Schneider, Mitchell Max and Michael Schneider. Casket bearers were Todd Schneider, Andrew Schneider, Christopher Andries, Jason Schneider, Barry Schneider and Brian Schneider. Burial was held in St. Boniface Cemetery in Westphalia. Pauley Jones Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

