

Ariel Thraen, 75

Sept. 28, 1917 — Dec. 13, 1992

HARLAN — Ariel Catherine Thraen, daughter of Harry L. and Hazel D. (Wells) Densmore was born Sept. 28, 1917, at Defiance. She died Dec. 13, 1992, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan, at age 75 years, two months and 15 days. As a small child, she moved with her family to Harlan, where she attended grade school and Harlan High School. She then attended beauty school in Co. Bluffs and returned to open the Belaire Beauty Shop in Harlan, which she operated with her sister, Nettie Belle.

Nov. 8, 1934, she married Ambrose Thraen in Sioux City. Two sons were born to this marriage. After their marriage, they lived in Sioux City for about a year, and then returned to Harlan, and this has been their home since that time. She was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan, and St. Michael's Guild.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother, Harold Fritz. She is survived by her husband Ambrose of Harlan; her sons, Ronald (Linda) Thraen and Don (Rosemary) Thraen, all of Harlan; seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; one sister, Nettie Belle Fymbo of Harlan; and a sister-in-law, Marilyn Fritz, also of Harlan and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Dec. 16, 1992 at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan with Rev. Edward Kelly, officiating. Burial was in St. Boniface cemetery with Westphalia with Gus Sindt, Alfred Thraen, Jim Thraen, Tony Thraen, Andrew Thraen, John Thraen, Gerald Thraen, Delbert Leslie, Russel Leslie, Larry Leslie and Daren Cingle honorary casketbearers. Casketbearers were Mike Thraen, Jerry Thraen, Scott Thraen, John Buman, Darrin Rooney and Larry Miller. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.