

Anna Mary Wilwerding, 70

EARLING — Anna Mary Wilwerding, the daughter of Mathias M. and Mary (Bauman) Leuschen was born Aug. 28, 1917, on a farm south of Earling. She died Oct. 22, 1987, at Myrtue Hospital in Harlan at age 70 years, one month and 25 days.

She was baptized, received her First Communion and was confirmed at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia. She attended St. Boniface Catholic School, graduating in the class of 1935, and grew to adulthood on her parent's farm.

On June 20, 1939, she married Peter A. Wilwerding at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia. Four children were born to this union. After their marriage, they made their home in Earling, where Peter was employed by the County Road Department for 35 years. She worked for a short time at the Little Flower Haven. After their retirement in 1979, they have continued to make their home in Earling. She was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling.

In addition to her father, she was preceded in death by an infant granddaughter, Rene Wilwerding. She is survived by her husband, Peter of Earling; three sons, Richard of Earling; Jerome and Eugene, both of Harlan; and one daughter, Jacquelyn (Mrs Bob) Deyo of Omaha, NE; five grandchildren; one great-grandchild; her mother, Mary Leuschen of Westphalia; two brothers, Joe and Roman, both of Earling and two sisters, Norma (Mrs Francis) Schmitz of Denison and Ruth (Mrs Don) Friedrichsen of Co. Bluffs; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Oct. 24, 1987 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling with Rev. Greg Leach as the celebrant. Burial was in the St. Joseph's cemetery, Earling, with Mark Wilwerding, Steve Wilwerding, David Wilwerding, Michael Wilwerding, Russell Leuschen and Richard Leuschen serving as casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.