

JoAnn Weihs, 85

Feb. 11, 1931 - Nov. 21, 2016

HARLAN — JoAnn Hilda Weihs, daughter of Tom and Lena (Leinen) Schumacher, was born Feb. 11, 1931 in Defiance. She attended school at St. Peter's in Defiance. After high school, JoAnn attended Iowa State Teacher's College in Cedar Falls. She taught in country school until she got married.

On Feb. 11, 1952, JoAnn married Wilfred C. Weihs in Harlan. They farmed east of Harlan where they raised seven children: Karen, Connie, Gary, Linda, Mary, John and Toni. In 2015 she became a resident of the Avoca Care Center.



She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. JoAnn enjoyed gardening, playing cards, supporting her children's activities, and baking; especially known for her from-scratch angel food cakes. She was involved with music in the church and gave piano lessons to her children and numerous other students. JoAnn was also a 4-H leader, substitute teacher, founding member of the Goldenaires musical group, and a longtime member of St. Michael's church.

JoAnn was 85 when she passed away Nov. 21 at Myrtue Memorial Hospital surrounded by her family.

In addition to her parents, JoAnn was preceded in death by her siblings, Hilda Kimmen, Mildred Hoffmann, Florence Schumacher, Viola Hoffmann, Vernon Schumacher, Dorothy Hoffmann, Melvin Schumacher, Charles Schumacher, and Marge Greer. She is survived by her husband of 64 years, Wilfred Weihs of Harlan, children: Dr. Karen Weihs (Dr. Richard Lane) of Tuscon, AZ; Connie (Sandy) Booth of Boone, Gary (Diane) Weihs of Harlan, Linda (Brent) Hansen of Avoca, Mary (Scott) Buchanan of San Anselmo, CA, John Weihs of Hudson, Toni (Steve) Nichols of Elkhorn, NE; 12 grandchildren: Nate (Anne) Booth, John (Shelly) Booth, Lauren Booth, Michael Weihs, David (Fabiola) Weihs, Jenny (Ross) Holsing, Ashley (Marc) Villaverde, Adam (Jenny) Hansen, Nikki (Marcus) Nagl, Patrick Carabell, Josie Nichols, and Caroline Nichols; and six great grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; other family members and many friends.

A 10:00 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated by Rev. John Frost and concelebrated by Rev. Larry Hoffmann Nov. 26, 2016 at the St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan. Michael Weihs, Nate Booth, Adam Hansen, David Weihs, John Booth and Patrick Carabell served as casket bearers. Burial was held at the Harlan Cemetery in Harlan.

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