

Minnie Fromm, 82

DEFIANCE — Philomena Fromm, daughter of John and Barbara (Thommits) Gorsche, was born on a farm near Westphalia, on March 13, 1895. She died at the Little Flower Haven in Earling on Aug. 27, 1977 at age 82 years, 5 months and 14 days. She was baptized and confirmed at St. Boniface church in Westphalia. She attended St. Boniface school and grew to adulthood on her parent's farm. On June 23, 1915, she married Peter J. Fromm, Sr. at St. Boniface church in Westphalia. Seven children were born to this union. After their marriage, Mr and Mrs Fromm farmed near Kirkman, until 1917 when they moved to a farm near Defiance. In 1936 they moved to a farm west of Defiance and this was their home until 1960 when they moved to Omaha, Nebr. After Mr Fromm's death in 1963, Mrs Fromm continued to make her home in Omaha until moving back to Defiance in 1970. She became a resident of Little Flower Haven in Earling in 1973 and this has been her home since that time. While living in Omaha Minnie was a member of the Holy Name Confraternity, the Holy Name Parish and the Holy Angel Parish. She was a long time member of St. Peter's church and the Altar Society in Defiance. She was also a member of the Catholic Daughters of America, St. Katherine's Court No. 266 of Earling.

In addition to her parents and her husband, she was preceded in death by two grandchildren - John Finken and Joseph Muelleman; a great-grandson, Greg S. Finken; four sisters - Barbara Pauley, Johanna, Mary and Dorothy Gorsche; and by a brother, Frank Gorsche. Her survivors include three sons - Leonard of Des Moines, Leo of Marshalltown and Peter Jr. of Defiance; four daughters - Marie (Mrs Lawrence Beauchamp), Margaret (Mrs Francis Lehan) and Virginia (Mrs Joseph Muelleman) of Omaha and Edna (Mrs Charles Finken) of Earling; 32 grand-

children; and two great-grandchildren, by a sister, Christina Wright of Des Moines, five brothers - John and Emil Gorsche of Omaha, Joe Gorsche of Hornick and Peter and Henry Gorsche; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Concelebrated Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Peter's church in Defiance, on Tuesday, Aug. 30, 1977 with Rev. Donald Bruck as celebrant and Rev. Jon Kautzky, Rev. Norbert Delort C.S.S.R. and Rev. John Morton C.S.S.R. as concelebrants. Burial was in St. Peter's cemetery with Tom Lehan, Mike Lehan, Allen Finken, Steve Finken, Pete Muelleman and Peter Beauchamp serving as pallbearers.