

Catherine Goeser, 100

Westphalia — Catherine Goeser, daughter of Joseph and Catherine Langenfeld Goeser was born Feb. 16, 1882 on a farm near Westphalia. She was baptized and received her First Communion and confirmation at St. Boniface Catholic church in Westphalia. She attended the country school near her home and then helped on the family farm. She continued to make her home with her parents and when they retired, she moved with them into Westphalia. She cared for her parents until they died and then continued to make her home in Westphalia. She was very active in the church and also took in school children as boarders during the winter months. In Nov. of 1975, she became a resident of the Little Flower Haven Nursing Home in Earling. This has been her home since that time.

She was a life long member of St. Boniface Catholic church in Westphalia. She was also a member of the St. Boniface Altar and Rosary Society as well as a member of the Third Order of St. Francis in Earling. She died at Myrtue Memorial hospital in Harlan on Saturday, Feb. 20, 1982, just four days after celebrating her 100th birthday.

In addition to her parents, Catherine was preceded in death by nine brothers, Anton, Jacob, Peter, Nicholas, Frederick, John, Joseph, Quiren and Wilhelm and four sisters, Johanna, Mary, Sister M. Syra O.S.F. (Margaret) and Sister M. Natalina O.S.F. (Theresa). She is survived by one sister, Sister M. Aristina O.S.F. (Dorothy) of Rockford, Ill.; many nieces; nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Boniface cemetery with Edward Goeser, Robert Goeser, James P. Goeser, Patrick Goeser, Joseph Michels and Clarence Kenkel serving as casketbearers.