

Mrs Alma Katzer, 69

Harlan — Alma Suzanne Katzer, daughter of Peter and Clara Thielen Pauley was born on a farm in Shelby county near Panama on March 8, 1909. She was baptized and confirmed at St. Mary's church in Panama. She attended country school and grew to adulthood on her parent's farm.

On Sept. 15, 1931, she married John Joseph Katzer at St. Mary's church in Panama. Eight children were born to this union.

After their marriage, Mr and Mrs Katzer made their home on a farm near Panama for a couple years before moving to a farm near Portsmouth. This was their home for 16 years. They then moved to a farm in the Defiance area. After John's death in April of 1963, Alma moved to Harlan and this has been her home since that time.

Mrs Katzer died at Myrtue Memorial hospital in Harlan on Monday, Nov. 20, 1978, at age 69 years, eight months and 12 days. She had been a member of St. Michael's church and St. Michael's Guild in Harlan. She was also an active member of the Sr. Citizens club and the Myrtue Memorial Hospital Auxiliary where she served with the Pink Ladies.

In addition to her parents and her husband, she was preceded in death by a son, Larry; three brothers - Joe, John and Theodore Pauley; and by a sister, Clara Pauley. Her survivors include four sons - Eugene and Ernest, both of Omaha, Roman of Atlantic, and Marvin of Los Angeles, Calif.; three daughters - Rita Katzer of Omaha, Margaret (Mrs James Trierweiler) of Arion and Mary (Mrs Joseph Fleming) of Los Angeles, Calif. and six grandchildren; by a brother, Carl Pauley of Rushville, Mo.; three sisters - Nora (Mrs Chris Blum) of Panama; Loretta (Mrs Joe Sandbothe) of Woodbine and Barbara (Mrs Steve Sandbothe) of Portsmouth; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Michael's church in Harlan on Friday, Nov. 24, 1978, with Rev. Richard G. Wagner as celebrant. Burial was in St. Mary's cemetery, Portsmouth with Pat Newland, Sean Donlin, Robert Donlin, Walter Krantz, Francis Wiese and Francis Leinen serving as pallbearers.
