

The Life Story of —

MRS EMIL J. KENKEL, 68

DEFIANCE — Marie Carmen

Kenkel, daughter of Joseph S. and Susanna Mumm Scheuring, was born April 19, 1906 on a farm west of Defiance, where she grew to adulthood. She died at her home north of Defiance on Sept. 5, 1974 at age 68 years, 4 months, and 16 days. She was baptized and confirmed at St. Peter's church in Defiance and she has been a lifetime member of this church. She was also a member of St. Peter's Altar Society. On Oct. 16, 1933 she married Emil J. Kenkel at St. Peter's church in Defiance. Six children were born to this union. After their marriage, they farmed in the Defiance community and in 1949 they moved to their present farm north of Defiance. This has been her home since that time. Mrs Kenkel has taught school for over 20 years, teaching in the rural schools in Crawford county, in Denison, Neola, and Defiance. She had received her degree in Elementary Education from Mid-western College in Denison.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Emil, on May 7, 1958; her daughter, Yvonne, on May 26, 1947; her parents; and one sister - Celia Scheuring. Mrs Kenkel is survived by her two daughters - Phyllis (Mrs. Delmar Mikels) of Portsmouth, and Mary (Mrs Hilton Claussen) of Co. Bluffs, by her three sons - Martin of Harlan, Russell of Westland, Mich. and John of Thousand Oaks, Calif.; and by eight grandchildren; by three brothers - Valentine Scheuring of Carroll, and Austin and Vernon Scheuring, both of Defiance; by one sister - Marcella (Mrs Melvin Stolz) of Boone, by her nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A concelebrated Mass of Christian Burial with Rev. Edward Scheuring as celebrant. The concelebrants were Rev. James A. Freeman, Very Rev. Msgr. Michael W. Schwarte, Rev. Edward R. Kelly, and Rev. Fred P. Reischl. Burial was in St. Peter's cemetery in Defiance with Leo Kenkel, Ben Freund, Norbert Gross, Francis Kenkel, James Scheuring, and Richard Scheuring serving as pallbearers.