



THE LIFE STORY OF —

Elizabeth Van Slyke, 75

PORTSMOUTH — Elizabeth

(Betty) Clara Van Slyke, daughter of Peter and Mary Letol Stinn, was born on a farm near Lewiston, Idaho on April 3, 1901. She died at Bishop Clarkson Memorial hospital in Omaha, Nebr., on June 13, 1976, at age 75 years, two months and 10 days. She was baptized in St. Wenceslas Catholic church in Clarkston, Wash. At the age of three she moved with her parents to a farm near Earling, and two years later they moved to a farm near Portsmouth. She was confirmed in St. Mary's Catholic church in Portsmouth and attended St. Mary's school. She grew to adulthood on her parent's farm and in 1917 they moved into the town of Portsmouth. On Aug. 20, 1934, she married Raymond B. Van Slyke at Manila. After their marriage, Mr and Mrs VanSlyke operated a restaurant in Manila and then moved to Portsmouth where they operated a meat market and grocery store. They then lived in Hampton, for a short time. They returned to Portsmouth in 1944 and operated the Portsmouth Locker until they retired in 1972. Since retiring, Mrs VanSlyke continued to make her home in Portsmouth. She had been a long time member of St. Mary's Catholic church in Portsmouth.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by three brothers - John, Casper and Herman Stinn and by a sister, Bertha Stinn. She is survived by her husband, Ray, of Portsmouth; two brothers - Joe Stinn of Alberta, Canada and Hubert Stinn of Harlan; a sister - Katherine "Kate" (Mrs Tony Weihs) of Harlan; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Wednesday, June 16, 1976 in St. Mary's Catholic church at Portsmouth, with Rev. Donald Bruck as celebrant. Burial was in St. Mary's cemetery, Portsmouth, with Alvin Heller, Leonard Rau, Gerald Kohles, Lester Schmitz, Dwayne LaSourd, and Gerald Waltz serving as pallbearers.