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Margaret Mary Bruck, 91

EARLING - Margaret Mary Bruck, the daughter of Joseph and Magdalena (Leenan) Blum was born on a farm near Westphalia, July 18, 1896. She died at Myrtue Memorial Hospital, Harlan, April 18, 1988 at age 91 years and nine months. She was baptized, received her First Communion, and was confirmed at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia. She attended country school near Westphalia, and grew to adulthood on her parent's farm.

Jan. 25, 1915, she married Charles Bruck at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia. Seven children were born to this union. After their marriage, they farmed in the Earling and Westphalia areas until they retired from farming in 1951 and moved into Earling. In May of 1978, they became residents of Little Flower Haven in Earling, Charles died March 10, 1983. She was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling and Catholic Daughters of America, St. Katherine's Court No. 266.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by two sons, Alfred and George; one son-in-law, Romuald "Bud" Schwery; two grandchildren; one great-grandchild; three brothers, Henry, Arnold and Raymond and three sisters, Catherine, Marie and Lenova. She is survived by four sons, Leonard of Portsmouth; La Vern of Irwin; Gerald and Richard, both of Earling; one daughter, Mary Ann Schwery of Panama; 40 grandchildren; 74 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Josephine (Mrs. Joe) Gross of Earling and Theresa (Mrs Don) Thompson of Wilcox, AZ; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated April 21, 1988 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Earling with Rev. Tom Coenen as the celebrant and Rev. Greg Leach, Rev. Don Bruck and Rev. Tony Wilwerding as the concelebrating priests. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery with Bill Bruck, Bruce Bruck, Bill Schwery, Vernon Bruck, Raymond Bruck and Richard Bruck, Jr. serving as casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.