

Margaret "Mary" Kock, 77

March 2, 1933 - Dec. 31, 2010

AVOCA — Margaret "Mary" Kock, daughter of Leo and Lucine (Kramer) Klein, was born on March 2, 1933 in Earling. She was baptized and confirmed at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling. She attended St. Joseph's Catholic School until the fourth grade when the family moved north of Harlan. Mary then attended and graduated from Kirkman High School in 1951 as valedictorian. After high school, Mary attended business school in Omaha and worked as a secretary until her marriage.

Mary married Charles Kock at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan on November 29, 1952. To this union seven children were born: Debbie, Pat, Dean, Brian, Lisa, Sharon, and Steve. Charles and Mary were engaged in farming in the Walnut, Avoca, and Hancock area most of their adult years. Mary was a



devoted mother and homemaker. She was very active in choir, and also helped with many church activities over the years. Mary loved baking for her family, friends and especially with her grandchildren. As a 4-H leader she helped her children and other 4-H members with their projects. She enjoyed quilting, sewing and attending her grandchildren's sporting events and school activities. Mary was very selfless; always a care giver to those in need. Mary died on Friday, December 31, 2010 at Myrtue Medical Center in Harlan having attained the age of seventy-seven years, nine months and twenty-nine days.

In addition to her father, Mary was preceded in death by her husband Charles, daughter Debbie Kock Karstens, and brother Delbert Klein. She is survived by her children: Pat Sievers of Avoca, Dean Kock and his wife Mary Beth of Hancock, Brian Kock and his wife Linda of Harlan, Lisa and her husband Nick Niedermayer of Indianola, Sharon and her husband Dave Doud of Stuart, Steve Kock and his wife Jennifer of Hancock; fifteen grandchildren: Shane Sievers and his wife, Carrie of Mason City, Allison and her husband, Mark Petersen of San Francisco, CA, Andrea and her husband Derrelle Murray of Omaha, NE, Jennifer and her husband Cody Jensen of Champaign, IL, Evan Kock of Ames, Ben Kock and Jen Kemmerer of Cedar Rapids, Mallory Kock of San Francisco, CA, Emma and Ryan Niedermayer of Indianola, Gayle, Gabrielle and Vince Doud, all of Stuart, and Sophie, Olivia and Julia Kock all of Hancock; eight great grandchildren: Cassie, Kennedy and Katie Sievers, Katelynn Kock, Lauren and Nora Petersen and Derrelle and Karina Murray; her mother Lucine Klein of Harlan; her brothers and sisters: Alice and her husband Leo "Spike" Kloewer of Harlan, Kenneth Klein and his wife Mary of Omaha, NE, Sylvan Klein and his wife Bonnie of Harlan, Rita and her husband Gail Hatcher of Omaha, Gary Klein and his wife Mary of Memphis, TN, Kathy Feldman of Omaha, and her sister-in-law Leona Klein of Westphalia; nieces and nephews; other relatives and many friends.

Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated by Rev. Tom Dooley and Rev. John Frost and as-

sisted by Deacon Marvin Klein on Monday, January 3, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Avoca. Interment was held in Grace-land Cemetery in Avoca. Serving as casket bearers were her grandchildren. Honorary casket bearers were Doug and Betty Kiesel, Agnes and Eldon Riesgaard, Tom and Janiece Rau, Janiece Schroeder, Mick and Eilen Denning and Charlotte Wise.

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