

Helen M. (Auen) Oswald, 86

April 6, 1912 - June 29, 1998

BREDA - Helen (Auen) Oswald was born April 6, 1912, at Carroll, daughter of Eilert and Lena (Dose) Auen. She spent her younger years in the Carroll community and graduated from Carroll High School.

Nov. 25, 1929, she married Marcellus (Zeke) Oswald at Saint Peter and Paul Church in Carroll. Following their marriage, they made their home in Breda where they owned and operated Zeke's Tavern for 37 years before retiring in 1976. Following retirement, she was employed at the Breda American Legion and was active in several community organizations. She was a member of St. Bernard Parish, Parish Ladies Guild, Senior Citizen Club, National Catholic Society of Foresters and was a Charter Member of the Breda American Legion Auxiliary. She died June 29, 1998, at the Little Flower Haven Nursing Home at age 86.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Marcellus, in 1978; two grandchildren; one great grandchild; seven brothers, Eilert, Harold, Henry, Elmer, Marvin, Pete and Bob Auen; and three sisters, Jane Brisbon, Christine Jones and Elsie Francis. She is survived by her children, Robert Oswald (Annette) of Harlan; Claire (Tex) Oswald (Bette) of Omaha; James Oswald of Palisade, CO; and Marilyn Millhollin (Steve) of Franklin, TN; 15 grandchildren; 22 great grandchildren; two step great grandchildren; sisters-in-law, Frances Oswald of Carroll; Ann Auen of Missouri; and Arlene Auen of California.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated July 2, 1998, at St. Bernard Church in Breda, with Father James Smith celebrant. Burial was in St. Bernard Cemetery at Breda, with the Breda American Legion Auxiliary serving as honor guard. Casket bearers were Steve Oswald, Craig Oswald, Marc Oswald, Mike Oswald, David Oswald, Dan Oswald, Scott Millhollin and Chris Millhollin. Sharp Funeral Home, Breda, in charge of arrangements.