

Phyllis M. Pash, 72

July 20, 1926- May 17, 1999

ONAWA – Phyllis M. Pash was born July 20, 1926, in Portsmouth, daughter of Owen and Mary (Gau) Bendon. In 1944, she graduated from St. Mary's High School in Portsmouth. She attended the Iowa State Teachers College in Cedar Falls, and the University of Nebraska in Omaha, where she received her teaching certificate.

Feb. 14, 1949, she married Dale Pash at Lancaster, CA. She taught in various country schools in Shelby County and third grade in Onawa Public Schools. She taught CCD classes for St. John Catholic Church. She was a saleswoman for Pash Radiator for 22 years and was considered a pioneer in the radiator industry. She was a member of St. John Catholic Church in Onawa, where she was a past president of the Rosary Society. She was active in the Onawa Community Theatre. She died May 17, 1999, at her residence in Onawa, at age 72.

She was preceded in death by her parents. Survivors include her husband, Dale of Onawa; one son, Dale "Bud" Pash, Jr. of Onawa; one daughter, Lisa (Charles) Meadows of Onawa; three granddaughters, Heidi Meadows and friend, Andy Gage; Carissa Meadows and Bridgett Meadows, all of Onawa; one great grandson, Jordan Gage of Onawa; three brothers and their wives, Richard (Mary) Bendon of Apache Junction, AZ; Kenneth (Mary) Bendon of Indianola; and Jimmy (Anne) Bendon of Cedar Rapids; one sister and her husband, Joan (Russell) Olson of Bremen, OH.

A Funeral Mass was held May 20, 1999, at St. John's Catholic Church in Onawa, with Father Frank Nemmers and Father Guy Gau mass celebrants. Honorary casket bearers were Richard Bendon, Donnie Bendon, Randy Pash, Kenneth Bendon, Russell Olson, Redge Pash, Norman Jensen, Jimmy Bendon, Mike Ancell and Ron Pash. Casket bearers were Shawn Bellis, Kurt Fountain, Pat Beck, Gary Leapley, Rick Gries and Vince Phillips. Burial was in the Onawa Cemetery. Arrangements by the Pearson Funeral Home, Onawa.