

## Irene Thielen, 86 ✓

July 15, 1919 - Dec. 27, 2005

**ATLANTIC** — Irene Anne Thielen was born July 15, 1919, in Portsmouth, Cass Township, Harrison County to Henry and Adeline (Graeve) Feldman. She grew up in Portsmouth and attended St. Mary's Catholic School there.

Sept. 21, 1937, Irene married Joe Thielen and they lived in the Panama and Portsmouth area until moving to Atlantic in 1956. She recently crocheted afghans for Project Linus, Essential Pregnancy Services, Girls and Boys Town and for the Hospice House. She was an election worker during election times. She was a member of St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, and was active in the Parish Council, CCW, sewing circle and a past president of Altar & Rosary Society. She received the honor of being the First Valiant Lady from St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church. For many years she was the volunteer coordinator for funeral and wedding dinners at the Church Parish Center. She died Dec. 27, 2005, at Nebraska Methodist Medical Center in Omaha, NE at age 86.

Preceding Irene in death were her parents, four brothers and three sisters. She is survived by her husband, Joe Thielen; three daughters, Judy (Ron) Just of Atlantic, Cindy (Mike) Davies of Anamosa, and LaVonne (Blainé) Brown of Tallahassee, FL; five sons, Jerry Thielen of Omaha, NE; Phil (Mary Jo) Thielen of Omaha, NE; Neil (Joanne) Thielen of Owasso, OK; Roger Thielen of Phoenix, AZ; and David (Becky) Thielen of Elkhorn, NE; grandchildren, Kevin (Caryn) Just of Atlantic; Doug (Lori) Just of Hobe Sound, FL; Troy (Kelly) Just of Lincoln, NE; Elizabeth (Ken) Meyer of New Vienna; Bryan (Jennifer) Davies of Madrid; Brandon Davies of Des Moines; Jeff (Kelli) Thielen of Council Bluffs; Chad Thielen of Schaumburg, IL; Jeremy Thielen of Blaine, MN; Greg (Sondra) Brown of Tallahassee, FL; Curt (Brittany) Brown of Olathe, KS; Michael Thielen of Redondo Beach, CA; Jori (Jimmy) Powers of Madison WI; Jenni Thielen of Iowa City; Corrina Thielen of Owasso, OK; Casey Thielen of Owasso, OK; Ryan Thielen of Des Moines; Jill Thielen of Des Moines; and 24 great-grandchildren, one brother, Ray (Marge) Feldman; three sisters, Elvera Feldman, Rose (Dave) Daley and Viola Durdon; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Mass of Christian burial was held Dec. 30, 2005, at St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Atlantic, with Father Dan Seipker celebrant. Burial was in the Atlantic Catholic Cemetery with her grandsons, Kevin Just, Bryan Davies, Chad Thielen, Curt Brown, Casey Thielen, Douglas Just, Brandon Davies, Jeremy Thielen, Troy Just, Jeff Thielen, Greg Brown, Michael Thielen and Ryan Thielen casket bearers. Hockenberry Family Care in charge of arrangements.