

## **Ella S. Tunink, 72**

**March 28, 1926 - June 13, 1998**

**HARTINGTON, NE** - Ella Sophia Tunink, daughter of George and Elizabeth Foxhoven Kuehler, was born March 28, 1926, at Crofton, NE. She grew up in the Crofton area and graduated from the Crofton High School. She worked as a bookkeeper before her marriage.

She married John A. Tunink Oct. 13, 1947, at Crofton. They farmed from 1947 to 1961 in the Crofton area and then farmed in the Belden area from 1961 until 1982. They moved to Hartington, NE in 1982. John died Jan. 28, 1995. She was a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church, the Altar Society, Christian Mothers and the Solitaires. She made the baptismal gowns for Holy Trinity Church for many years. She died June 13, 1998, at Sacred Heart Hospital in Yankton, SD at age 72 years.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, John; three infant children; one brother, Clem, and one sister, Marcella Stratman. She is survived by her six children, James (Kathleen) Tunink of Columbia, MO; Robert Tunink of Columbia, MO; Patricia Jane (Gene) Kenkel of Panama; Diane (Martin) Ciecior of Lincoln, NE; Eileen (Randy) Woods of Lincoln, NE; and Pam (Dan) McClain of Broken Bow, NE; 19 grandchildren; 5 great grandchildren; one brother, Jerome Kuehler of Bow Valley, NE, and other relatives.

Funeral services were held June 17, 1998, at the Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Hartington, NE, with the Rev. William Sanderson officiating. Burial was in St. Rose of Lima Cemetery, Crofton, NE, with Michael Tunink, Mark Tunink, William Tunink, Anthony Kenkel, John Kenkel, Rob Tunink, Greg Tunink and Lance Tunink casket bearers. Wintz Funeral Home in Hartington, NE, in charge of arrangements.