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Devota Marie Vandivort, 78

DUNLAP - Devota Marie Vandivort was born Oct. 16, 1911 to Nicholas and Sophia (Leinen) Blum in Westphalia Twp., Shelby County. She died Jan. 12, 1990 at Crawford County Memorial Hospital in Denison at age 78 years, 2 months and 27 days. She spent her early life in Shelby County.

April 25, 1933, she married Oren Lernont Mathys. They spent most of their married life in Crawford and Harrison Counties, where their four children were born and raised. Oren died in 1964. Nov. 2, 1969, she married George Franklin Vandivort. They made their home in Dunlap until recently

when she moved to the Dunlap Care Center.

Preceding her in death were an infant sister, an infant brother and one grandson. Survivors include her husband, George of Dunlap; their children, Mrs Jim (Norma Jean) Rose of Deloit; Donald Mathys of Soldier; Mrs Kenneth (Patricia) Crouch of Manning; Larry Mathys of Denison; Frank Vandivort of Deloit; Mrs Francis (Thelma) Dunkeson of Woodbine; George Vandivort Jr. of Mapleton; Mrs Don (Roberta) Baker of Dunlap; Mrs Paul (Doratt) Baker of Panhandle, TX.; four brothers, Lloyd Blum of Fonda; Cecil Blum of Harlan; Zeno Blum of Earling; Robert Blum of Coon Rapids, MN.; 24 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Jan. 15, 1990 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Dunlap. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery at Earling. Casketbearers were Chad Mathys, Richard Rose, Monte Rose, Darrell Blum, Garry Blum and Cecil Blum Jr. Fouts Funeral Home, Dunlap in charge of arrangements.