

Odelia M. Foxhoven, 80

June 30, 1916 - Oct. 19, 1996

EARLING - Odelia Marie Foxhoven, daughter of William and Catherine Schechinger Gaul, was born June 30, 1916 at Earling. She attended St. Joseph's Catholic School in Earling, graduating in 1934.

Feb. 23, 1943, she married LaVerne Foxhoven at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling. To this union five children were born. After their marriage, they farmed in the Portsmouth, Westphalia and Defiance vicinities. They moved to their present farm near Earling in 1954. She worked as a dietitian at the Little Flower Haven for 20 years. She was a dedicated employee. In stormy weather she would have LaVerne take her to Little Flower the night before and she would sleep there so she would not miss work. She was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling, the Altar Society, Earling Sewing Circle and a member of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court of St. Katherine No. 266 in Earling. She died at her home near Earling Oct. 19, 1996 at age 80 years, three months and 19 days.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brothers and sisters, Lipharda Zimmerman, Lawrence Gaul, Joseph Gaul, Suzanna Gaul, Aloys Gaul and Marie Andersen. Surviving are her husband, LaVerne Foxhoven of Earling; her children, Kenneth Foxhoven (Jane) of Earling; Joyce (David) Kenkel of Panama; Gail Foxhoven (Betty) of Earling; Lyn Schneider of Omaha and June Foxhoven also of Omaha; 13 grandchildren and four great grandchildren; her brothers and sisters, Tony Gaul of Earling; Pauline (Phil) McAndrews of Ute; Genevieve (Vernon) Scheuring of Defiance; Agnes (Eugene) Retz of Bellevue, NE; Mo Gaul (Betty) of Earling and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated Oct. 22, 1996, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling with Rev. Cornelius Gaul celebrant and Rev. Michael Berner, Rev. Thomas Crowley and Rev. LaVern Wingert concelebrating. Burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery in Earling with Bob Gaul, Allen Zimmerman, Dean Gaul, Dan Retz, Jim Scheuring, Neal Gaul, Steve McAndrews and Dave Eubanks honorary casket bearers. Casket bearers were Allen Kenkel, Rick Kenkel, Doug Schneider, Curt Kenkel, Scott Kenkel and John Foxhoven. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.