

## Isabell C. Heese, 89

**EARLING** - Isabell Catherine Heese, daughter of John J. and Dora (Loehr) Wilwerding was born near Westphalia on March 22, 1899. She died at the Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan Sept. 20, 1988 at age 89 years, five months and 29 days. She was baptized, received her First Communion and was confirmed at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling. She attended St. Joseph's School and grew to adulthood in the home of her parents.

On June 26, 1917, she married Peter C. Heese at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia. Eleven children were born to this union. After their marriage, they farmed in the Earling area until 1934, when they retired from farming and moved into Earling. After the death of Peter on September 25, 1963, she continued to make her home in Earling until Jan. of 1988, when she became a resident of the Little Flower Haven. This has been her home since that time. She was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling and Catholic Daughters of America, St. Katherine's Court No. 266, Earling

Proceeding her in death in addition to her parents and husband were three brothers, Tony, Clarence and Isidore; one son, Edward; and one granddaughter, Molly. Surviving her are two sons, Owen of Earling; and Larry of Cedar Rapids; eight daughters, Dorothy (Mrs Alf) Graeve of Earling; Rita Sutherland of Gilman; Bernice (Mrs Dick) Hearn of Des Moines; Isabel (Mrs John) Klein of Harlan; Mildred "Mick" (Mrs Leo) Bieker of Earling; Helen (Mrs Max) Cochran of Omaha, NE; Sr. Elizabeth Heese of Omaha; and Norma (Mrs Gerald) Schmitz of Wall Lake; 41 grandchildren; 84 great grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren; one sister, Sr. Mary Wilwerding of Dubuque; and one brother, Al Wilwerding of Defiance; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated Sept. 23, 1988 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Earling with Rev. Nelo Leto as the celebrant. Concelebrant priest was Rev. Joe Tolan. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery, Earling with Bill Heese, Jim Bieker, Rick Heese, Jim Graeve, Mark Heese, Jay Schmitz, Larry Clauson, David Sutherland and John Hearn serving as casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.