

Cheryl Musich, 62

April 4, 1944 - Feb. 6, 2007



HARLAN — Cheryl Ann Musich was born April 4, 1944, to Laverne and Josephine (Kohles) Goetzinger in Buck Grove. She attended country school near Buck Grove. After moving to the Defiance area, she attended school in Manilla, graduating in 1962. She moved to Westphalia, in September 1962 where she worked and met the love of her life, Dennis Musich.

Cheryl married Dennis Musich in Manilla, June 15, 1963. Five children were born to this union, Darla, Jeff, Dale, Darrin, and Kim. The couple made Harlan, their hometown in 1965 and became members of St. Michael's Catholic Church. Cheryl worked at various retail businesses doing secretarial and clerical work. She had a great passion for taking care of and helping other people. She chose to work in home health care and treated each and every individual she met like they were family. She took care of many people until 2005 when her own health prevented her from helping others. Cheryl fought her cancer courageously but lost the battle Feb. 6, 2007, at age 62 years, 10 months, and two days.

Cheryl was preceded in death by her parents, Laverne and Josephine Goetzinger; her infant twin sons, Dale and Darrin Musich; her sister, Linda Warner; her brother, Richard Goetzinger; and her father-in-law, Laverne Musich. She is survived by her husband of 43 years, Dennis Musich of Harlan; her children, Darla (Dave) McDonald of Cherokee; Jeff (Michelle) Musich, and Kim Musich and her special friend, Marty, all of Harlan; her brother, Ron Goetzinger of Shelby; her sister, Kathy (Bob) Burris of Indianola; mother-in-law, Helen Musich of Harlan; 10 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Feb. 9, 2007, at St. Michael's Catholic Church with Rev. Bob Hoefler officiating. Honorary casket bearers were Natasha Schwarte, Emily Schwarte, Christina Jacobsen, Rayce Jacobsen and Analia Wilke. Casket bearers were Ron Goetzinger, Dave Warner, Jr., Scott Goetzinger, Pete Williadsen, Wayne Schwarte, Colburn Warner, Wil Stephany, Adam Musich, Lucas Musich, and Terry Burris. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery. Pauley Jones Funeral Home in charge of arrangements