

Carolyn G. Schwery, 65

Aug. 15, 1933 - April 19, 1999

PANAMA – Carolyn G. Schwery, daughter of Valentine S. and Orimal L. (Woodhouse) Carl, was born Aug. 15, 1933 at Harlan. She was baptized and confirmed at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan. Carolyn attended Harlan Elementary School and Harlan High School.

May 16, 1956, she married James T. Schwery at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan. To this union 12 children were born. The family made their home in the Panama area. Carolyn was involved in many community activities. She was a member of the Panama Community Chorus, the Rosary Society, a 4-H leader, directed Christmas pageants at St. Mary's School, was a CCD teacher, worked as a volunteer at Little Flower Haven and she taught art classes at Shelby County Catholic Schools. She died April 19, 1999, at age 65 years, eight months and four days.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two sons, Kevin Gerard in 1965 and Larry Joe in 1975; and her brother, Jeff, who died in 1991. Survivors include her husband, James of Panama; daughters, Margaret (Ronald) Kohles of Panama; Barbara (Richard) Leuschen of Holstein; Marçia (Michael) Ohlinger of Co. Bluffs; Loretta (Tom) Murphy of Houston, TX; and Cynthia Schwery of Fort Dodge; her sons, Andrew Schwery (Bobbie) of Waihalla, SC; Michael Schwery (Patty) of Dunlap; Kenneth Schwery of Panama; James D. Schwery (Lisa) of Logan; and Steven Schwery (Sheri) of Woodbine; 25 grandchildren and one great grandchild; her brothers and sisters, Douglas Carl (Mary) of Mesa, AZ; Lois (David) Dean of Omaha; Roxanne (Wayne) Nevel of Harlan; Nick Carl (Anne) of Marshalltown; Victoria (Alan) Johannsen of Marshalltown and Marc Carl (Marcy) of Defiance; her sister-in-law, Edna Carl of Corning; and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated April 22, 1999, at St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church in Panama, with Rev. Michael Peters the celebrant and Rev. John Harmon and Rev. LaVerne Wingert concelebrating. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery in Portsmouth, with Dick Keane, Jerry Keane, Dave Keane, Lois Schwery, Leo Schwery and Terry Schwery casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

