



Magdalena Wageman, 100

DEFIANCE - Magdalena Catherine Wageman, daughter of Joseph and Theresa Stolz Klein, was born April 29, 1890 on a farm near Westphalia. As a young girl she was baptized, received her First Holy Communion and confirmed at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia. Her education included attendance at country school as well as St. Boniface Catholic School. She grew to adulthood at home on the family farm.

She married Edward Wageman May 5, 1908 at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia. Ten children were born to this union. After their marriage, they farmed northwest of Defiance. They were active members of their community and their church. She belonged to St. Peter's Catholic Church, the Altar Society, Rosary Society, and the Defiance Community Club. Their shared love of music, church and family continued until his death March 15, 1952. Since they had retired from the farm in 1950 and moved into Defiance, she contin-

ued to live there after her husband's death.

A short time later, Lena, as she was known to all, made her home in Defiance with her daughter, Josephine. This was her home until she became a resident of the Dunlap Care Center in Jan. of 1987. During her lifetime, she also helped raise four grandchildren. She was named the Queen of the 1982 Defiance Centennial. She died Dec. 7, 1990, at the Crawford County Memorial Hospital, Denison, just 7 months and 8 days past her 100th birthday.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her daughter, Rose; two grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren; six brothers, John, Andrew, Albert, George, Joseph and Peter and her four sisters, Katherine, Theresa, Mary and Josephine. Survivors include nine children, Kathryn Sonderman of Defiance; Verdilla Bertelsen of Minneapolis, MN.; Henry (Ann) of Defiance; George (Mary Belle) of Harlan; Josephine Marshall of Defiance; Ann (Clyde) Wetherby of St. Paul, MN.; Leona (Kenneth) Buman of Harlan; Elmer (Margaret) of Defiance and Edward (Pat) of Moorhead; 34 grandchildren; 100 great-grandchildren; 42 great-great-grandchildren; 2 step-great-grandchildren; one step-great-great-grandchild; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated Dec. 10, 1990 at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Defiance with The Rev. Eugene Klein as the celebrant and The Rev. Fred Reischl as the Homilist. Concelebrating was Rev. Edward Kelly and Rev. Paul Bianchi. Burial was in Sts. Peter & Paul cemetery with Don Wageman, Joe Wageman, Sharon Weiland, and Jean Marie Robley serving as honorary casketbearers. Serving as casketbearers were Bob Marshall, John Buman, II, Richard Foline, Bill McCollum, Jack Wageman and Jim Sonderman. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.