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Wilhelmina Catherine Heese, the daughter of Nicholas and Catherine Krupp Heese was born Jan. 28, 1896 on a farm near Earling. She died Sunday, March 10, 1985 at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan at age 89 years, one month and 12 days. As a child, 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 on her parents farm. On Jan. 20, 1922, she married Charles M. Heese at St. Joseph's Catholic church. Six children were born to this union.

They farmed for many years near Earling, and upon retiring they moved into town. After the death of Charles M. on Jan. 29, 1965, she continued to live at home until MI 1979, when she became a resident of the Little Flower Haven in Earling. This has been 11 her home since that time. She was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic church and the Catholic Daughters of America, St. Katherine's Court No. 266 both of Earling.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a granddaughter: Linda Reischl; a great granddaughter: Mary Ann Williams; a sister: Clara; and five brothers: Casper, George, William, Fred and John. She is survived by three daughters and three sons: Mary (Mrs Joe) Reischl of Earling; Sr. Leta Heese of Omaha and Irma (Mrs Mike J.) Sullivan of Carroll; Nicholas of Earling; Bernard of Denver, Colo. and Vincent of Earling; 27 grandchildren and 38 great grandchildren; three sisters: Dora Gambee of Portland, Or.; Sr. Clarita Langenfeld of Chicago, Ill. and Odelia Schmidt of Portsmouth; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

A Concelebrated Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Wednesday, March 13, 1985 at St. Joseph's Catholic church in Earling with the Rev. Greg Leach as the celebrant and Rev. Fred Reischl, Rev. Lawrence Beeson, Msgr. Peter Schmitz, Msgr.

Francis Zuch, Rev. Gerald Stessman and Rev. Paul Hans all as concelebrants. Burial was in the St. Joseph's cemetery, Earling, with Bob Reischl, Don Reischl, Don Heese, Gene Sullivan, Dan Heese and Russ Heese serving as casketbearers.

Pauley Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.