

# OBITUARIES

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## Mrs Frances Heller, 75

**Portsmouth** — Frances Amelia Heller, daughter of William and Louise Horn Gubbels, was born on a farm in Shelby county near Portsmouth on Dec. 30, 1903. She was baptized at St. Patrick's church in Neola and confirmed at St. Mary's church in Portsmouth. She attended St. Mary's school in Portsmouth and grew to adulthood on her parent's farm.

On April 15, 1925, she married Henry Heller in St. Mary's church in Portsmouth. Nine children were born to this union. After their marriage, they farmed near Portsmouth for five years and then moved into Portsmouth where Mr Heller operated an oil business. This was her home until becoming a resident of Little Flower Haven in Earling in July of this year.

Mrs Heller died at Mercy hospital in Co. Bluffs, on Saturday, Aug. 18, 1979, at age 75 years, 7 months and 18 days. She had been a long time member of St. Mary's church in Portsmouth and was also a member of the Altar Society.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by three brothers - Leo, Lawrence and Herbert; and by a sister, Armella.

Her survivors include her husband, Henry Heller of Portsmouth; four sons - Alvin, Richard and Phillip, of Portsmouth, and Veral of Lawton; five daughters - Elaine (Mrs Harold Buckley), Mary (Mrs Robert Finken), and Darlene (Mrs Jim Kenkel), of Earling, Rose Ann (Mrs Gus Schuettgen, Jr.) of Defiance, and Vianney (Mrs Leo Thielen) of Denver, Colo.; 33 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; by two brothers - Greg and Victor, both of Atlantic; three sisters - Eleanor (Mrs Bernard Schmitz) of Westphalia, Sidonia Gubbels of Atlantic and Helen Schwery of Panama; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Concelebrated Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Mary's church in Portsmouth, on Tuesday, Aug. 21, 1979, with Rev. Edward R. Kelly as celebrant and Rev. Larry Burns, Rev. Jon Kautzky and Rev. Robert Schoemann as concelebrants. Burial was in St. Mary's cemetery, Portsmouth, with John Heller, Robert Heller,

David Thielen, Larry Buckley, Dennis Buckley, and Charles Schuettgen as honorary bearers and Ron Heller, Gary Heller, Jeff Kenkel, Darryl Buckley, Michael Finken and Steve Schuettgen serving as pallbearers.

Pauley Funeral Home was in charge of the services.