The Life Story of --MRS BARBARA MUNCHRATH, 88

Defiance - Mrs Barbara M. Munchrath, daughter of John and Magdelena Stolz Thielen was born on a farm near Westphalia, Nov. 17, 1886. She died, Oct. 8, 1975 at Manning General hospital in Manning, at age 88 years, 10 months and 21 days. She was baptized and confirmed in St. Boniface Catholic church of Westphalia. She attended St. Boniface School in Westphalia and grew to adulthood on her parent's farm. On May 1, 1906, Barbara married Chris Munchrath at St. Boniface Catholic church, Westphalia. To this union seven children were born. After their marriage they farmed near Earling. In 1919, they moved to a farm near Defiance and they has been her home since that time.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Chris, four children, Ralph, Mildred, Edmond and Edna, two grand-children, Joyce Elaine and James Munchrath, one sister, Mrs Elizabeth Leuschen, one brother, John Thielen, two half sisters, Mrs Mary Graeve and Mrs Clara Pauley and two half brothers, Joe and Charles Thielen. She is survived by one daughter, Beatrice of Defiance, two sons, Leo and Delbert both of Defiance, two sisters, Mrs Josephine Schomer of Panama and Mrs Frances Nollen of Defiance, one brother, Louis Thielen of Defiance, nine grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren, nieces and nephews and other relatives.

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A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Peter's Catholic church in Defiance on Saturday, Oct. 11, 1975 with Rev E. J. Klein, celebrant. Burial was in St. Peter's cemetery with Jack, Dick, Bob, Bill and Roger Munchrath and Robert Fallert serving as pallbearers.