

THE LIFE STORY OF —

Frances Reding

DEFIANCE — Frances Susan Reding, daughter of Mathew and Catherine Stronk Weis, was born on a farm near Earling, on Oct. 6, 1891. She died at Myrtue Memorial hospital in Harlan, on Febr. 3, 1977, at age 85 years, three months and 27 days. She was baptized and confirmed at St. Joseph's Catholic church in Earling. She attended school in Earling and grew to adulthood on her parent's farm. After completing her schooling, she taught country school for several years. On Jan. 12, 1915, she married August Reding at St. Joseph's Catholic church in Earling. Four children were born to this union. After their marriage, Mr and Mrs Reding farmed in the Earling vicinity until 1919 when they moved to a farm near Defiance. They retired from the farm in 1945 and moved into Defiance. After Mr Reding's death in Oct. of 1949, Frances continued to make her home in Defiance until becoming a resident of Little Flower Haven in Earling in 1976. This has been her home since that time. Mrs Reding was a long time member of St. Peter's Catholic church in Defiance and a member of St. Peter's Altar Society.

In addition to her parents and her husband, she was preceded in death by four sisters - Catherine Klocke, Mary Lippold, Lucile Weis and Helena Weis; and by a brother, Joe Weis. She is survived by two daughters - Coleta (Mrs Guyle Duke) of Harlan and Rita (Mrs Theodore Albracht) of Sioux City; two sons - Irmin Reding of Manilla and Germain Reding of Omaha; 14 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren, by a sister, Anna Weis of Earling; a brother, Alex Weis of Denison; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Peter's Catholic church in Defiance, on Saturday, Febr. 5, 1977, with Rev. Donald Bruck as celebrant. Burial was in St. Peter's cemetery with Gary Reding, Larry Reding, Marvin Reding, Vernon Reding, Randal Albracht, and Thomas Albracht serving as pallbearers.