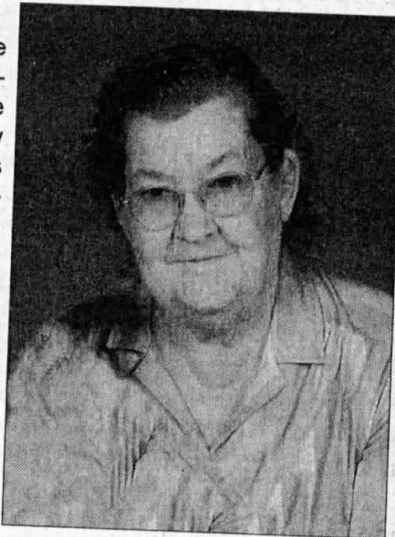


Velma Bruck, 83

Feb. 27, 1927 - June 4, 2010

EARLING — Velma Arlene

Buschkamp Bruck was born on February 27, 1927, to Gerhard and Louise (Hendrix) Buschkamp on the family farm near Bloomfield, NE. Velma was baptized and confirmed in Bloomfield and graduated from Bloomfield High School with the class of 1945. After high school, Velma received her Teaching Certificate and taught country school for three years. She then attended Wayne State College in Wayne, NE, where she studied premed and renewed her teaching certificate. She returned to teaching for three months. At this time, Velma met Gerald Bruck.



Velma was united in marriage to Gerald on September 7, 1948, in Bloomfield, NE. After they were united in marriage, Velma and Gerald moved to Earling, to begin their life together. To this union they had seven living children: Jody, Gerald Jr., Colleen, Michelle, Vernon, Robin, and Karen. Velma enjoyed helping Gerald on the farming by doing anything and everything: She loved the country life of milking cows and raising hogs and chickens. She also enjoyed having a huge garden and canning everything she could. Velma was a member of the St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling her entire married life. She enjoyed being a Eucharistic Minister and did so for twenty-five years. Velma's favorite activities were to go to the Spencer Fair every year, riding in the car while it was raining, playing bingo, and listening to old time country music. Her favorite time of the year was spring and she loved Easter. Velma's most precious memories were spending time with her family and friends. She will be missed greatly by all. Velma died on Friday, June 4, 2010, at Little Flower Haven in Earling, having attained the age of eighty-three years, three months, and eight days.

Velma was preceded in death by her parents; her daughters, Karen Hill and Michelle Slater; her brothers, Darrell and Donald; and her sister, Alice. She is survived by her husband of sixty years, Gerald Bruck, of Earling; their children: Jody Bruck of Harlan; Jerry Bruck, Jr. and his wife Aline of Harlan; Colleen Spinler of Clarinda; Vernon Bruck and his wife Patricia of Denison; Robin Bruck of Denison; nineteen grandchildren; eighteen great-grandchildren; seven step-great-grandchildren; her brother, Dennis Buschkamp and his wife Loraine of Bloomfield, NE; her twin brother, Vernon Buschkamp of Earling; her sister, Fern Schafer of Yankton, SD; many nieces and nephews; other family members and many

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friends.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Monday, June 7, 2010, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling. Rev. Michael Berner officiated the 10:30 AM service. Interment was held at St. Joseph's Cemetery in Earling, with Dale Schafer, Mark Buschkamp, Bill Schwery, Roger Bruck, Alan Buschkamp, and Rick Bruck serving as casket bearers.



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