

Cecilia B. Willmes, 84

Aug. 29, 1914 - July 13, 1999

DES MOINES - Cecilia Bernice Willmes, daughter of Peter and Mary (Stoll) Willmes, was born Aug. 29, 1914, in Panama. She was baptized and confirmed in Panama, and she was a graduate from St. Mary's High School in Panama. Cecilia attended beauty school in Des Moines. After school she worked as a professional beautician in Des Moines until retiring in 1979. She was a member of St. Theresa's Catholic Church in Des Moines. She volunteered at the Bishop Drumm Home in Des Moines for many years. She died July 13, 1999, at Mercy Hospital in Des Moines, at age 84 years, 10 months and 15 days.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by an infant brother; sisters, Caroline, Helen and Marcella. Survivors include her sisters, Dorothy Zimmerman of Panama; Mary Agnes Schaben of Earling; Sarah (Isadore) Mischo of San Diego, CA; and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated July 15, 1999, at St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church in Panama, with Rev. Michael Peters celebrant. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery in Panama, with Peter Mischo, Allan Zimmerman, Dave Stessman, Duane Stessman, Pat Schwery and Denny Stessman casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.