Marie Sophia Bazyn, 89

Marie Sophia Bazyn, 89, of Brooklyn, died Tuesday, December 13, 2005, at Brooklyn Community Estates, Brooklyn.

Her memorial service was held Saturday, December 17, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Brooklyn, with the Rev. Brian Shepley officiating. Interment was at Calvary Cemetery, Victor.

Marie was born January 31, 1916, to Leo and Jenny DeBates DeCoster at Victor. She attended St. Bridget's Catholic School graduating in 1934. She married Rene Bazyn on July 14, 1937, at St. Bridget's Church, Victor. They lived north of Holiday Lake, Brooklyn, for over sixty years where they farmed and Marie did housekeeping. They were the parents of ten children. Marie was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Brooklyn.

Surviving are her children, Jean Wheeler of Sigourney, Mary McDonald and husband Fred of Brooklyn, Dixie Willett and Carl Marsh of Robins, Leo Bazyn and wife Judy of Lewisville, Tenn., Betty Vance, Oak Harbor, Wash., John Bazyn and wife Colleen of Montezuma, David Bazyn of Cedar Rapids, Paul Bazyn and wife Kathy of Elkader, Jim Bazyn and Robin Houser of Montezuma, and Ann Morrow and KC Hillsbeak of Blairstown; a sister, Therese VerStraten of Des Moines; 53 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren and 12 great-great-grandchildren. Marie's many friends and children will miss her.

She was preceded in death by her husband, who died March 19, 1999; four brothers, Frank, Lewis, Charles, and John DeCoster; two sisters, Ida and Irene DeCoster; and a grandchild, Luanne McDonald.

A memorial fund in her name has been established.