

Marie A. Stalder

Marie A. (Dirksen) Stalder, 88, of Coldwater, died Friday, Jan. 1, 2010 at Briarwood Village in Coldwater.



She was born Feb. 15, 1921 in Auglaize County, to the late Harry and Mary (Tuente) Dirksen. On May 23, 1944 she married Donald C. Stalder in St. Peter & Paul Church, Newport.

She is survived by her children and spouses: Diane (Roger) Schmit of Coldwater, Ron (Helen) Stalder of Celina, Janie (Jerry) Bertke of Coldwater, Jerry (Kathy) Stalder of Coldwater, Bill (Beck) Stalder of Albany, Ind., and Rick (Linda) Stalder of Coldwater; as well as 22 grandchildren and 26 great grandchildren. She also leaves behind a son-in-law Les Bice of Louisville, Ky., sister and brother-in-law Norma and Edward Biersack of Beavercreek, a sister-in-law Alice Dirksen of Celina and her caregiver Joan Muhlenkamp of Coldwater. She is preceded in death by a daughter Teresa Bice, sisters: Cecilia Mayo, Regina Bernard and Loretta Kinninger; and a brother Alvin.

She attended Holy Trinity Catholic Church and was a member of St. Ann's Rosary Altar Sodality, St. Cecelia Knights of St. John, Shepherds of Christ and Vision 2000 prayer group. She retired from Goodyear in St. Marys.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at Holy Trinity Catholic Church on Wednesday, Jan. 6, 2010 with Rev. Richard Walling officiating. Burial followed at St. Elizabeth Cemetery in Coldwater. Hogenkamp Funeral Home in Coldwater handled the arrangements.