

Dula Brand

Dula (Schoenlein) Brand, 87, of Yorkshire, died Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2009 at Mercer County Community Hospital in Coldwater.

She was born Nov. 6, 1921 in Fort Recovery to the late Peter & Veronica (Braun) Schoenlein. On July 15, 1944 she married Frederick C. Brand, and he died Jan. 3, 1996.

She is survived by her children: Jane Brand of Dayton, Joan (Merle) Gaaskjolen of Leesburg, Fla., Carolyn (Jim) Bruns of Celina, George (Marcia) Brand of Dayton, Barbara (Kurt) Jacobsen of Dayton, Ivan (Linda) Brand of Versailles, Rita (Mark) Hoffman of Dayton, Diana (John) Kahlig of Coldwater, Damian (Deb) Brand of Yorkshire, Edward (Judy) Brand of Yorkshire, Kenneth (Tina) Brand of Versailles and Fred (Kristie) Brand of Dayton; as well as 33 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren. She also leaves behind brothers: Hugo Schoenlein of Dayton, Zeno Schoenlein of Coldwater and Louis (Jean) Schoenlein of Portland, Ind.; a sister, Sr. Marie Damian, O.P. (Rita Schoenlein) of Adrian, Mich., and a sister-in-law Elvira Schoenlein of Columbia, S.C. She is preceded in death by her brothers: Paul, Carl, Martin and Maxi Schoenlein; and sisters-in-law: Irene, Freda, Ann, Margaret and Dorothy Schoenlein.

She was a member of St. Louis Catholic Church in North Star, and the St. Ann's Rosary Altar Sodality of the church. Dula was a avid supporter of adult literacy and very active until her death.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Louis Church on Monday, Sept. 28, 2009, with Rev. David Zink officiating. Burial followed at St. Louis Cemetery in North Star. Memorials can be made to Adrian Adult Rea Literacy Center in Adrian, Mich., (Dominican Motherhouse). Hogenkamp Funeral Home in Coldwater handled the arrangements.