



Teresa Dobrowski

January 22, 2010

Teresa Teckla Dobrowski, age 97, of Wibaux, Montana, passed away on Saturday, January 16, 2010, at the Wibaux County Nursing Home in Wibaux. Visitation will be held from 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. and 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M., Thursday, January 21, 2010, at the Chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Wibaux. A rosary and prayer vigil will be held at 7:00 P.M., Thursday, January 21, 2010, at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Wibaux. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:00 A.M., Friday, January 22, 2010, at St. Philip's Catholic Church in St. Philip's, Montana, with Rev. Fr. Joseph Ponessa officiating. Rite of Committal will follow in St. Philip's Cemetery. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Wibaux is entrusted with arrangements. Teresa Teckla Marciniak was born Sept. 22, 1912, in rural Wibaux County, Mont., one of six daughters born to John and Paulina (Efta) Marciniak. The family lived on a well-kept farm along Beaver Creek, south of Wibaux. Since there were no boys in the family, Teresa helped her father. She spoke fondly of herding cows on horseback and working in the fields with horses but disliked milking the cow that would only stand for her. She taught one horse to jump a gate so she wouldn't have to get off to open it. Her favorite places to relax were in the hayloft and along the creek. When Teresa was six years old, her mother died of the Spanish Influenza. Her father remarried, taking Paulina's sister Veronica as his wife. Two boys and five girls were born in John's second family. She attended the one-room Massey School completing the 8th grade. On April 25, 1933, Teresa married Joe Dobrowski at St. Philips Catholic Church, St. Philip,

Mont. They made their home five miles west of Golva, in Wibaux County, where they farmed together for 40 years. They raised grains, corn silage, pigs, and cattle. Teresa enjoyed gardening, especially raising flowers. She started her own tomato and cabbage plants and raised a bountiful garden. She canned, froze and pickled hundreds of quarts of produce each year, including sauerkraut, peas, beans, and strawberries. Teresa and Joe also raised chickens. They kept 500 egg-layers. Twice a week, they delivered crates of eggs to restaurants and cartons of eggs to stores in Glendive, Mont. They raised fryers too, butchering 100 chickens each year which they froze for their own use. It wasn't Sunday unless Grammy Teresa made chicken for dinner! Teresa served as clerk for the Douglas School Board. All of her children attended the one-room located one-half mile south of the farm. She was a member of the St. Philip's Catholic Church Rosary Society for over 70 years, serving on the board for many years. She was a lifetime member of St. Philip's Catholic Church. Teresa enjoyed doing counted cross stitch and made quilts for every member in her family. In 1979, Joe and Teresa built a new home and moved to Wibaux. They took their incredible gardening abilities with them and started a new garden plot in town which flourished just like the one on the farm. She and Joe often spent their evenings playing gin and wild card rummy. They moved to the Wibaux County Nursing Home in the summer of 2006, after Joe broke a rib while working in the garden. He was 100 at the time; Teresa was 93. Teresa was preceded in death by an infant son, Joseph; an infant grandson, Bruce; son-in-law, Dean Dormanen; sisters: Helen Bruski, Sophia Goroski, Pauline Dobrowski, Edwegan Marciniak, Cecelia Marciniak, Rosie Granat; and brothers: John Marciniak Jr. and Ray Marciniak. Teresa is survived by her husband of 76 years, Joe Dobrowski, Wibaux County Nursing Home; children: Cecelia (Jim) Samuels, Dickinson, N.D; Teresa (Ed) Kremers, Gillette, Wyo.; Francis (Pat) Dobrowski, Reno, Nev.; Marie Dormanen, Fargo, N.D.; David (Mary) Dobrowski, Missoula, Mont.; and Robert (Jeri) Dobrowski of the family farm in rural Wibaux County, Mont.; sisters: Verna Sokoloski, Elizabeth Susa; Anna Marynik; and Marian Wosepka; sister-in-law, Genevieve

Marciniak; 13 grandchildren, and 21 great-grandchildren. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to the St. Philip's Rosary Society, c/o Kim Miske, 261 Red Top Road, Wibaux, MT 59353.

Tribute Wall



“ *Teresa Dobrowski*

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