

**E**dna I. Schuler, age 89, of Newell, Iowa, died May 25, 2010 at the Newell Good Samaritan Center in Newell.

Edna Irene O'Rourke was born November 3, 1920 in Jackson, Minnesota, the daughter of Cyril and Elizabeth (Gannon) O'Rourke. Growing up she attended rural school and graduated from Sac City High School. Edna continued her education at Buena Vista College where she received her Teacher Certificate.

On January 25, 1947, Edna was united in marriage to Willard C. Schuler in Sac City, Iowa. Together they were blessed with five children: Tom, Colleen, Donald, Todd and Nolan.

Edna was a member of the St. Mary's Catholic Church in Storm Lake where she was part of the Catholic Daughters. She was the District 9 president of the American Legion Auxiliary and served as a judge during the County election. Edna was also a member of the Newell Providence Band Parents' Association where she served as president.

Edna loved baking, canning, and sewing. She enjoyed crafts and being able to golf. Edna treasured spending time with her family and will be dearly missed.

Those left to cherish her memory include her husband, Willard C. Schuler of Newell, Iowa; her children: Tom (Debbie) Schuler of St. Charles, Missouri; Colleen (Neal) Degner of Wentzville, Missouri; Donald (Donna) Schuler of St. Charles, Missouri; Todd (Angela) Schuler of Avon, Ohio; Nolan (Kinda) Schuler of Colorado Springs, Colorado; grandchildren: Chad (Sherrie) Degner of Keller, Texas; Tonia Degner of Frisco, Texas; Deanna Degner of Columbia, Missouri; Patrick Degner of Wentzville, Missouri; Amber Degner of Des Moines, Iowa; Thomas Degner of Wentzville, Missouri; Jennifer Schuler of Ofallon, Missouri; Angela (Joe) Paulsen of St. Charles, Missouri; Brian Schuler, USAF of Mendenhal, England; Crystal Schuler of Clearwater, Florida; Hillary Schuler of Avon, Ohio; Brandi Schuler, Ben Schuler, Kielee Lawonn, Andrew MacKenzie all of Colorado Springs, Colorado; Heather Reilly and Tarah Kelly of Fayetteville, North Carolina; great grandchildren: Bryan, Corbin, Meagan, Kaitlyn Degner all of Keller, Texas; Blake Degner of Wentzville, Missouri; Jacob, Cameron, Brady, Nathaniel Paulsen all of St. Charles, Missouri; Hailey, Alexis and Jeremy Kelly of Fayetteville, North Carolina; extended family and friends.

Edna was preceded in death by her parents, Cyril and Elizabeth O'Rourke; brothers: Paul, Emmett, Cyril E., and Cletus O'Rourke; sisters: Alice Potter and Mary Ellwanger.

## *Celebrating A Special Life*



*Edna Irene Schuler*

*1920 — 2010*



*Irish Blessing*

May the roads rise to meet you,  
May the winds be always at your back,  
May the sun shine warm upon your face,  
The rains fall soft upon your fields,  
And until we meet again  
May God hold you in the hollow of his hand.

**W**e wish to express our gratitude for the kindness evidenced in thought and deed, and for your attendance at this service. Please join us for lunch and a time of fellowship at the KC Hall in Storm Lake immediately following the service.

— **The Schuler Family**

**IN MEMORY OF**  
**Edna Irene Schuler**

*November 3, 1920 — May 25, 2010*

**FUNERAL MASS**

*Saturday, May 29, 2010 at 10:00 a.m.*  
*St. Mary's Catholic Church*  
*Storm Lake, Iowa*

**CONCELEBRANTS**

*Reverend Bruce Lawler*  
*Reverend Ed Tiedeman*

**ORGANIST**

*Dolores Cullen*

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

*St. Mary's Caritas Choir*

**HONORARY CASKET BEARERS**

*Brian Schuler, Tonia Degner, Deanna Degner*  
*Amber Degner, Jennifer Schuler, Angela Paulsen, Crystal Schuler*  
*Hillary Schuler, Brandi Schuler, Heather Reilly, Tarah Kelly*  
*Kielee Lawonn, Andrew MacKenzie*

**CASKET BEARERS**

*Chad Degner, Patrick Degner, Thomas Degner*  
*Ben Schuler, Corbin Degner, Rusty Corderman*

**INTERMENT**

*Newell Cemetery*  
*Newell, Iowa*

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