

October 30, 1974

Mrs. Roy McPhee

A concelebrated funeral mass was celebrated at Sacred Heart Church in Aberdeen Wednesday morning, Oct. 23, for Mrs. Roy (Bernice) McPhee, 79, resident of Mother Joseph Manor.

The Most. Rev. Lambert Hoch, bishop of Sioux Falls, was the principal celebrant of the mass. Other concelebrating priests were the Revs. Marvin McPhee, Groton; P.C. Conway, Hartford; E. Burlan, Sioux Falls; John Kasch, Aberdeen; L. Nemmers, Hoven; J. Deragisch, Faulkton; L. Grace, Ipswich; T. Connolly, Gettysburg; Pius Mardian, Moberly; P. Morgen, Highmore; L. Dudek, Miller; and W. Osborn, Leola. Master of ceremonies was the Rev. Donald Kettler, Aberdeen.

Pallbearers were representatives of the Catholic parishes of Groton and Andover, which are served by Father McPhee, son of Mrs. McPhee. They were Eugene Abeln, Richard Kolker, Omer Nelson, Robert Volk, Larry Schelle, Gene Kistler, Robert Schuring, Francis Klein, Joe Frigo and Roy May.

Burial was in Sacred Heart Cemetery.

Three rosaries were said Tuesday. A rosary was held at 4 p.m. at the Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel in Groton; at 7 p.m. at the Mother Joseph Manor for the residents; and at 8 p.m. at the Mother Joseph Manor for the public and the Catholic Daughters of America.

Mrs. McPhee was born December 31, 1894, in Marshall, Minn. She was married to Roy McPhee in 1913 in Mitchell. Her husband operated drug stores in Aberdeen, Mt. Vernon, Rapid City and Kimball.

She was a past grand regent of the Catholic Daughters in Aberdeen and a member of the Sacred Heart Altar Society.

She had lived at the Manor for the last eight years.

Survivors include two sons, Chesley of Aberdeen and the Rev. Martin McPhee of Groton; two daughters, Amy McPhee of Wayzata, Minn., and Mrs. Jerome (Mary) McPhee of Omaha, Neb.; and eight grandchildren.