



AMELIE SOUCY

On April 15, 1997 at McCreary-Alonsa Health Centre, Amelie Soucy entered into rest.

Amelie Soucy (nee Moreaux) was born in Belgium on September 11, 1900. She came to Canada in 1907. Her family settled on a homestead in Ste. Amelie.

She married Edouard Soucy in 1919. They raised six children, earning their living by mixed farming, first in Portia, later in Ste. Amelie until retirement.

Her life was dedicated to her husband, children and community at large. The door was always open to everyone; meals and sleeping space available at all hours.

She loved the outdoors, her large gardens were a joy and a necessity for those year round many meals and weeks and weeks of threshing crews every fall.

Her days and evenings were very busy - spinning, knitting, sewing, mending, soap making, butter churning, baking, cooking, bee keeping, berry picking plus caring for chickens, turkeys, ducks, lambs, pigs, calves, etc.

Amelie was no stranger to every kind of field work - a real pioneer.

Education was very important to her. She was the Lecoq school secretary for approximately 20 years, teachers often boarded in her home. Her efforts helped keep that school open.

When they moved to the town of Ste. Amelie she took care of a lending library in her home. Books were then available to the community almost any day of the week. For conveniences sake they later moved to Ste. Rose where young relatives had the opportunity to live with her and continue their education. She was a faithful Catholic and belonged to the Catholic Women's League for many years. She was widowed in 1980 and entered the Gendreau Nursing Home in 1988 then to the McCreary-Alonsa Health Centre in 1996.

She will be forever missed and cherished by her family.

Amelie was predeceased by her husband Edouard in 1980; two infant sons, one in 1922 and one in 1932; one son Elsimé in 1995; two grandsons Marcel & Andy Soucy in 1973; son-in-law Oren Bradshaw in 1976.

She is survived by three daughters Irma Bradshaw, Adele Rivard and Bernice and husband Charlie Berthelette; two sons Louis and wife Angeline Soucy and Lucien and wife Rosanne Soucy; daughter-in-law Lucille Soucy; 26 grandchildren, many great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Prayer service was held Friday, April 16, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. at the Ste. Amelie Roman Catholic Church.

Funeral service was held Saturday, April 19, 1997 at 2:00 p.m. at the Ste. Amelie Roman Catholic Church, Fr. I. Blanchette O.M.I. officiated. Interment followed in the Ste. Amelie Cemetery.

Pallbearers were grandchildren Lois Hartley, Mona Soucy, Gilbert Soucy, Ernest Soucy, Clarence Soucy and Noel Soucy.

Dobchuk Funeral Home, McCreary had care of arrangements.