Unborn mourned

To the editor:

On Jan. 22, prolife people mourn the loss of more than 54 million unborn children since Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton were decided 39 years ago.

When Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton were handed down by the U.S. Supreme Court, abortion was legalized in all 50 states through all nine months of pregnancy. Unborn children for too long have been denied access to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. A generation of Americans have had approximately one-fourth of their brothers and sisters destroyed before birth.

Thirty-nine years have passed since these two tragic decisions enshrined abortion as a "right." Our society will never know the enormous toll that this immense loss of life has taken on our nation. Thirty-nine years of abortion on demand have allowed government and society to get away with not providing real choices to women in crisis. Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton have led our society down the dangerous path of devaluing human life.

Advances in technology, including three-dimensional ultrasounds, show us who we are losing at a rate of about 3,300 a day. The entity in a mother's womb is more than a mere “clump of cells.” This living, developing organism is in fact a human being who deserves the same basic rights and respect as the rest of us. No woman wants to have an abortion, yet every year more than a million women put themselves through this dangerous procedure.

Abortion does not solve problems, it only creates new ones. Abortion doesn't help women, it hurts them. More than 54 million children have faced the cruel tools of an abortionist and every day women who need real help go through the doors of a clinic and come out, never to be the same again.

Thirty-nine years of legal abortion is 39 years too many. Our country needs to get back to a place where we sincerely value human life because the life of every human being, including the unborn, should to be treasured and protected by law. Today is a time to celebrate the gift of life we have been given while mourning those whose lives were snuffed out before birth.

Life is something that is too precious for which not to fight. That is why I'll be working to protect the unborn and help women in unplanned pregnancies. I hope you will join me and Iron County Right to Life share the message of hope and healing in our community. Visit our website www.ironcountyrighttolife.org to learn more about our work and show your support on our Facebook page.

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