

**The Life Story of --  
LAWRENCE M. KIMMEN, 69**

**EARLING** — Lawrence Michael Kimmen, son of Michael and Anna Stronk Kimmen, was born Aug. 10, 1904 on a farm near Earling. He died at St. Joseph's hospital in Omaha, Nebr., on June 12, 1974, at age 69 years, 10 months, 2 days. He was baptized and confirmed in St. Joseph's church in Earling. He attended St. Joseph's school and grew to adulthood in this community. On May 1, 1929 he married Hilda Schumacher in Defiance. Eight children were born to this union. After their marriage, they farmed south of Defiance, living on this same farm until Febr. of 1973 when they moved to their present home in Earling. He was a member of St. Peter's church in Defiance for over 40 years. After moving to Earling he became a member of St. Joseph's church there.

Mr Kimmen was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters — Clara (Mrs George Gross) and Kathryn (Mrs Paul Veasman), and one granddaughter — Marcia Ann Jacobs. Surviving are his wife, Hilda; three daughters — Ramona (Mrs Eugene Case) of Manning; Phyllis (Mrs Richard Grote) of Dunlap; and Bonnie (Mrs Charles Jacobs) of Harlan; and by five sons — Kenneth of

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Harlan; Raymond of Hastings, Minn.; Mike of Lincoln, Nebr.; Alvin of Defiance; and Larry of Dunlap; 27 grandchildren, one great grandson, one sister — Margaret (Mrs Carl Coenen) of Defiance, by his nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Joseph's church in Earling on Saturday, June 15, 1974 with Rev Larry Hoffman of Leon, a nephew as celebrant and Msgr Michael Schwarte Earling and Rev Frederick Reischl of Panama co-celebrants. Burial was in St. Joseph's church in Earling with Robert Case, Dennis Grote, David Jacobs, Gary Jacobs, Gregory Kimmen and Keith Kimmen, his grandsons, serving as pallbearers.