

THE LIFE STORY OF —

Joseph F. Michalski, 85

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Earling — Joseph Franklin Michalski, son of August and Mary Hein Michalski, was born at Bakerville, Wisc., on April 24, 1894. He was baptized at the Corpus Christi Catholic church in Bakerville.

He attended school and grew to adulthood in Bakerville. At age of 16, he moved with his family to Oshkosh, Wisc., where he was confirmed at the Sacred Heart church. After a couple years, the family moved to a farm in Shelby county, near Portsmouth and Joe helped his father with the farming. He then moved to Pine Ridge, So. Dak., where he worked at the Holy Rosary Mission as a baker for many years. Later he worked as a cook in restaurants in Omaha, Nebr., and also did cooking for priests in Englewood, Colo., for a while. In later life, Joe made his home with his family until becoming a resident of Little Flower Haven in Earling, in Nov. of 1973. This has been his home since that time.

Mr Michalski died at Myrtue Memorial hospital in Harlan, on Thursday, Dec. 20, 1979, at age 85 years, 7 months and 26 days. He had been a life time member of the Catholic church.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers - Peter and Andrew; and six sisters - Kathryn, Mary, Matilda, Anna, Rose, and Christina. Survivors include two sisters - Lucy Jacobs of Harlan and Agnes (Mrs Godfrey Coenen) of Westphalia; a brother, Gilbert Ray of Tucson, Ariz.; nieces and nephews; and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Michael's church in Harlan, on Saturday, Dec. 22, 1979, with Rev Richard G. Wagner as celebrant. Burial was in St. Mary's cemetery, Portsmouth, with Verner Schmitz, Clarence Coenen, Ralph Gessert, Melvin Coenen, Oscar Anastasi and Charles Jacobs serving as pallbearers.