

Joseph B. Riedl, 74

Portsmouth — Joseph Benard Riedl, son of Bernard and Margaret Gross Riedl, was born on a farm in Shelby county near Portsmouth on Jan. 22, 1904. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Mary's church in Portsmouth. He attended St. Mary's school and grew to adulthood on his parent's farm. In 1923, he moved with his parents to Omaha, Nebr. In Febr. of 1923, he married Magdalen Grobmeier at Woodbine. They made their home in Omaha and after her death in August of 1925, Joe continued to live in Omaha.

In Aug. of 1935, Joe married Mary Peck at Woodbine, Mr and Mrs Riedl farmed for several years near Woodbine before making their home in Omaha. After her death in March of 1968, Joe continued to live in Omaha until moving to Osceola, Nebr., to live with his niece. He died at the Litzenberg Memorial hospital in Central City, Nebr., on May 11, 1978, at age 74 years, three months and 19 days.

In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by his parents. His survivors include his niece, Mrs Robert Wells of Rt. 1, Osceola, Nebr., an uncle living in Germany; a sister-in-law, Mrs Joe Dotzler of Defiance; two brothers-in-law, Al Schechinger of Harlan and Ralph Grobmeier of Florida and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Mary's church in Portsmouth on Tuesday, May 16, 1978 with Rev Vincent Rosonke as celebrant. Burial was in St. Mary's cemetery with Don Dotzler, Zeno Leinen, Al Schechinger, Elmer Johansen, Leo Petsche and Laverne Williams serving as pallbearers.