

**The Life Story of --**

**MICHAEL A. SCHLEIER, 76**

**DEFIANCE** — Michael Aloysius Schleier, son of Mathew and Katherine Gross Schleier, was born April 12, 1897 in Earling. He died at Myrtue Memorial hospital on Mar. 18, 1974 at age 76 years, 11 months, 6 days. Mike attended the Earling public school and was baptized and confirmed in St. Joseph's church in Earling. In 1910 he moved with his parents to a farm near Defiance. He was a member of St. Peter's church in Defiance for most of his life and was also a member of Defiance Post No. 707 of the American Legion. On April 25, 1922 he married Ina Miller at St. Peter's church in Defiance. Mr and Mrs Schleier farmed in the Defiance and Manilla areas until 1942 when they moved into Defiance. Mrs Ina Schleier died Mar. 4, 1959. On July 4, 1964 Mike married Carola Loehr at St. Peter's church in Defiance. They continued to make this their home until Mr. Schleier became a resident of the Little Flower Haven in Earling in 1970. On Nov. 24, 1973 Mrs Carola Schleier died at Myrtue Memorial hospital.

He was also preceded in death by his parents, and two sisters - Mrs Johanna Stinn and Mrs Anna Lehan. He is survived by his sister - Mrs Mathilda McBride and by his brother Frank Schleier, both of Defiance; 11 nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated by Rev James A. Freeman assisted by Rev Gerald Deere in St. Peter's church at Defiance on Thursday, Mar. 21, 1974. Burial was in St. Peter's cemetery at Defiance with George Rewerts, Tom Heller, Vernon Miller, Mike Lehan, Delbert Lehan and Allan Schaben serving as pallbearers. Military Rites at the graveside were conducted by the Defiance Post No. 707 of the American Legion.