



THE LIFE STORY OF —

Tony J. Wageman, 66

Westphalia — Anthony Joseph Wageman, son of Charles and Barbara Schechinger Wageman, was born on a farm in Shelby county near Westphalia on July 25, 1912. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Boniface church in Westphalia. He attended St. Boniface grade school and high school and after graduating in 1930, attended Dowling Jr. College in Des Moines. He then returned to the Westphalia area where he worked on farms for several years. From 1931-1941, Tony was a pitcher for the Westphalia Red Sox baseball team and pitched in many tournaments in western Iowa and eastern Neb. On Feb. 18, 1941, he married Rita Gubbels at St. Boniface church in Westphalia. Five children were born to this union.

After their marriage, they farmed near Westphalia for a few years. They then moved into Westphalia and Tony was employed as manager of the State of Iowa Liquor Store in Harlan for 20 years. He retired as manager in 1977 but continued to work parttime. He died at St. Joseph's hospital in Omaha, Neb. on Tuesday, May 15, 1979, at age of 66 years, 9 months and 20 days. Tony was a life time member of St. Boniface church in Westphalia. He was also a member of the Holy Name Society and the Earling Council No. 1741, Knights of Columbus. He had served as secretary and board member of the Westphalia Cooperative Ass'n. for several years and was a charter member of the Westphalia Volunteer Fire department.

In addition to his parents, Tony was preceded in death by two sisters - Catherine and Agusta; and by a brother, William. His survivors include his wife, Rita, of Westphalia; two sons - Joseph of Knoxville, and Anthony N. of Oskaloosa; three daughters - Carol (Mrs Marvin Coenen) and Janelle (Mrs Jim Broberg), both of Omaha and Shirley (Mrs Harold Trueman) of Minot Air Force Base, No. Dak. and 12 grandchildren, by three brothers - Charles and John, both of Harlan and Frank of Omaha; seven sisters - Cecelia (Mrs Clarence Weihs), Agnes (Mrs Ed Goetzinger), and Theresa (Mrs Virgil Henscheid) of Westphalia, Sister Mary Ruth, Ann (Mrs Leo Friel) and Sister Joan of Omaha and Adeline Altman of Earling; nieces and nephews; and other relatives.

A Concelebrated Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Boniface church in Westphalia, on Friday, May 18, 1979, with Rev. Michael Sims as celebrant and Rev. Richard Gubbels as concelebrant. Burial was in St. Boniface cemetery in Westphalia, with Bill Altman, Frank Weihs, Dean Gubbels, Glen Gubbels, Robert Wageman, Thomas Wageman, Steve Henscheid, and Larry Goetzinger, all nephews of Mr Wageman, serving as pallbearers.

Pauley Funeral Home was in charge of the services.