



## Kenneth John Buman, 70

July 11, 1922 - Aug. 21, 1992

**PORTSMOUTH** — Kenneth

John Buman, the son of John and Helen (Rosman) Buman, was born on a farm in Shelby county, July 11, 1922. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Portsmouth. He attended school in Tennant, graduating with the Tennant High School class of 1940. When he was 16 years old his father died and he took over the farm operation in Lincoln Twp. June 22, 1942, he married Leona Wageman in St. Peter's Catholic Church in Defiance. One son and one daughter were born to this union.

After their marriage, they farmed in Lincoln Twp., where they were active members of their community. He played high school and town team basketball for many years. He was a 4-H leader for several years. He was instrumental in the paving of M16 and its relocation as well as being on the original

board of directors of the Shelby County Rural Water System. He was also active in St. Mary's Catholic Church, where he was a lifetime member. They had just celebrated their 50th anniversary in June of this year. In 1968, the founded Ken-Lee Distributing, Inc., a company that markets agricultural equipment to farm implement dealers. He was still actively involved in the business at the time of his death. He died at the Bergan Mercy Medical Center in Omaha, NE., Aug. 21, 1992, at age 70 years, 1 month and 10 days.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Edwin and an infant granddaughter, Julia Anne Gearhart. He is survived by his wife, Leona, of Harlan; one son, John Buman II of Harlan; one daughter, Sandra (Harry) Gearhart of Stillwater, OK.; 9 grandchildren; 3 great-grandchildren; three sisters, Corrine (Omer) Anastasi, Bernice (Joe) Schomer of Harlan and Wanda Jurschak of Portsmouth; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was con-celebrated Aug. 24, 1992, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Portsmouth with Rev. Edward Kelly of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan, celebrant. Concelebrating was Rev. Mike McLaughlin, Rev. Eugene Klein, and Msgr. Michael W. Schwarte. Burial was in St. Mary's cemetery with Don Buman, Don (Si) Mathiasen, Phil Heller, Bernard Cox, Larry McNamara, Emil Hansen, Paul A. Pauley, Wayne A. Jensen, Paul Leinen, Sr., Lloyd Robinson, Robert E. Stuhr, Dr. Ken Mueller, and David Garst, honorary casketbearers. Casketbearers were Bob Anastasi, Stephen J. Schomer, Jim Anastasi, Ken Jurschak, Edwin J. Buman, and Joe Jurschak. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.