

Joseph Croghan, 74

Aug. 24, 1927 - Dec. 30, 2001

MANNING – Joseph Patrick, son of William P. and Helen Keane Croghan, was born Aug. 24, 1927, in Harrison County. He attended school in Panama and graduated from St. Mary's Catholic School in that community in 1946. Following his graduation, he farmed with his brothers near Panama.

Dec. 28, 1948, he married Margaret T. Schmitz at St. Mary's Church in Panama. Nine children were born to this union. They farmed near Panama for about one year before moving to a farm south of Manning near Botna in 1950. When he retired in 1991, they moved to their home in Manning. Joe was a member of Sacred Heart Parish in Manning, and a 50 year member of Knights of Columbus Council #1741 of Earling, where he attained the Third Degree Knighthood. Due to failing health, he became a resident of the Manning Plaza Nursing Home in September of 2001. He died there Dec. 30, 2001, at age 74 years, four months and six days.

Besides his parents, he is preceded in death by his oldest son, John, who died as a result of an accident in 1985, a brother, Peter Croghan, and a sister, Elizabeth Kohles. He is survived by his wife, Margaret Croghan of Manning; eight children, William Croghan (Virginia) of Templeton; Eugene Croghan of Harlan; David Croghan of Austin, TX; Charles Croghan of Manning; Patricia (Marc) Arp of Manning; JoAnne (Terry) Halbur of Sandy, UT; Gerald Croghan (Nancy) of Manilla and James Croghan of St. Charles, MO; 22 grandchildren, Kelly Croghan (Brenda); Brian Croghan (Stacie); Shawn Croghan; Jason Croghan (Amy); Jennifer (John) White; Steve (Rhonda) Croghan; Sherry (Jason) Kilby; Shannon (Todd) Hanners; Chris Taylor Croghan; Morgan Taylor; Kyle Arp; Stacy Arp; Ryan Arp; Jessica Halbur; Amy Halbur; Eric Halbur; Justin Croghan; Chantel-Croghan; Megan Croghan; Jerad Croghan; and Amber Croghan; 10 great grandchildren, Jonathan, MaKayla and Brandon Croghan; Jessica and Taylor Croghan; Rachael White; Britney Croghan; Cassandra and Caleb Kilby and Tucker Hanners; daughter-in-law, Mary (Robert) Kruse of Manning; sisters, Helen (Dave) Griffith of Missouri Valley and Bernadette Kirlin of Des Moines; brothers, James Croghan (Kathy) of Annandale, VA; Jerome Croghan (Catherine) of Manning; Tom Croghan (Jeanie) of Omaha, NE; sister-in-law, Adelaide Croghan of Woodbine; brother-in-law, James Kohles of Harlan; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Rite of Christian Burial was held Jan. 2, 2002, at the Sacred Heart Church, Manning, with Father James McAlpin and Father Donald Bruck concelebrants. Burial was in the Sacred Heart Cemetery. Honorary casket bearers were his grandchildren and great grandchildren. Casket bearers were William Croghan, Charles Croghan, Eugene Croghan, Gerald Croghan, David Croghan and James Croghan. Ohde Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.