

James J. Ebert, 66

Sept. 12, 1931 - Aug. 13, 1998 ✓

HARLAN - James Joseph Ebert, son of John and Valeria (Schmitz) Ebert, was born Sept. 12, 1931, at Westphalia. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia, growing to adulthood in the Westphalia area where he also attended St. Boniface Catholic School. He worked as a painter with his father and also reconditioned cars at Roecker Ford in Harlan. He was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church since moving to Harlan with his parents in 1952, and a member of the Knights of Columbus Council No. 3900 of Harlan. Jim continued to live in Harlan after the death of his parents, then lived for a short time with his brother, Don in Shelby, before becoming a resident of the Baptist Memorial Home Aug. 31, 1989. While a resident of the Baptist Memorial Home, he regularly visited with the residents and was proud to be part of the pets program assisting dog visits to the other patients. He died Aug. 13, 1998, at the Baptist Memorial Home at age 66 years, 11 months and one day.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, John, and his sister, Thelma. Survivors include his brothers, Donald Ebert (Marilyn) of Shelby; Robert Ebert (Shirley) of Omaha, NE; his sister, JoAnn (Russell) Campbell of Harlan, and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Aug. 17, 1998, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan, with Rev. Howard Fitzgerald celebrant and Rev. Mr. Pat Davitt assisting. Burial was in St. Boniface Cemetery in Westphalia, with Jeff Ebert, Dustin Hiatt, Luke Pitts, Kevin Schaben, Michael Campbell and Scott Campbell casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.