

Lawrence Kenkel, 84

March 7, 1910 - Dec. 26, 1994

Earling - Lawrence John Kenkel, son of Nicholas and Anna (Altman) Kenkel was born March 7, 1910 on a farm near Earling. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling and attended St. Joseph's Catholic School.

April 19, 1938 he married Verna Miller. They became the parents of three children. He was an Earling area farmer and also an antique dealer. He had also worked on road construction and had been the custodian at St. Joseph's School as well as the church and the cemetery. He was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling. He died Dec. 26, 1994 at Myrtle Memorial Hospital at age 84 years, nine months and 19 days.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers and sisters, Nicholas and Bernard Kenkel, Josephine Stessman, Ted Kenkel, Dora Bormann, Henry Kenkel, Mary Weiland and Emil Kenkel and a granddaughter, Jennifer. He is survived by his wife, Verna Kenkel of Earling, his children - Maxine Von Tersch of Manhattan, KS, Joel (Althea) Kenkel of Minneapolis, MN and Karen (Bryon) Potter of San Diego, CA; nine grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, a sister, Elizabeth Kenkel of Earling and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Dec. 28, 1994 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling with Rev. Chuck Kottas celebrating. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery with Ray Kenkel, Gerald Kenkel, Ted Kenkel, Leo Kenkel, Vernon Miller and John Stessman casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.