

## Otto Kloewer, 87

**HARLAN** - Otto Robert Kloewer, the son of John and Veronica (Gerderjohn) Kloewer was born near Westphalia, June 5, 1901. He was baptized, received his First Communion and was confirmed at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia. He attended St. Boniface School and grew to adulthood on his parent's farm.

Jan. 11, 1932, he married Clara M. Goetzinger at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Defiance. Ten children were born to this union. After their marriage, they farmed near Westphalia for four years. They later lived in the Dunlap and Earling communities where he worked as a motor grader operator for Shelby county for many years. In 1962, they moved into Harlan. After the death of Clara Oct. 19, 1980, he became a resident of the Little Flower Haven in Earling and this has been his home since that time. He died at the Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan, Dec. 18, 1988 at age 87 years, 6 months and 13 days. He was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by one son, Robert; three brothers, Frank, Hubert and Gottlieb and three sisters, Anna, Veronica and Rose. He is survived by three sons, Eugene and John both of Omaha, NE; and Raymond of Harlan; six daughters, Rose (Mrs Frank) Feldman and Theresa (Mrs Charles) Lee both of Omaha, NE; Bernice (Mrs Ray) Aschoff of Swanee, GA; Lucille "Tiny" (Mrs Mike) Schmidt and Mary Jane (Mrs Dale) Swanson Jr., both of Harlan and Joanne (Mrs Jack) Patterson, D.V.M. of Des Moines; 42 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was con-celebrated Dec. 21, 1988 at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Harlan with Rev. David Polich as the celebrant and Rev. Richard Wagner as the concelebrant. Burial was in St. Boniface cemetery, Westphalia with Ken Swanson, Rob Kloewer, Trew Rickers, Jerry Johnson, Jody Kloewer and Rick Feldman serving as casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.