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## Leonard Klein, 93

*June 18, 1911 - March 4, 2005*

**HARLAN** — Leonard Martin Klein, son of Joseph and Anna Kwapiszeski Klein, was born June 18, 1911, on a farm near Panama. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Panama. After graduating from high school he started farming with his parents.

Leonard married Veronica Mikels June 17, 1940, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Panama. They made their home outside of Portsmouth and farmed in the area. In 1947, the family moved to a farm near Kirkman and became members of St. Michael's Catholic Church. They were the parents of five children: Alan, Kenneth, Bruce, Mary Ann and Myron. Leonard retired from farming in 1975. They remained on the farm until moving to Westridge Apartments in Harlan in the summer of 1999. Veronica died May 14, 2003. He died March 4, 2005, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 93 years, eight months and 16 days.

Leonard was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Veronica; one son, Bruce, who died in 1950; and two brothers, Rev. Eugene and Otto Klein. Survivors include his children, Alan Klein (Rosemary) of Kirkman; Kenneth Klein (Janice) of Harlan; Mary Ann Majkowski of Council Bluffs and Myron Klein (Cindy) of Higganum, CT; 11 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held March 9, 2005, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan with Rev. Robert Hoeffler celebrant. Honorary casket bearers were Ryan Klein, Heather Klein, Jennifer Klein, Melissa Wilson and Michael Klein. Casket bearers were Chad Klein, Daniel Klein, Matthew Majkowski, Brian Majkowski, Michael Wilson, Kyle Klein and Mark Klein. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery. Pauley Jones Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

