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LaVern W. Koppold, 78

Sept. 3, 1922 – June 23, 2001

HARLAN – LaVern Wendell Koppold, known to everyone as Curley, the son of Frank and Barbara (Dotzler) Koppold, was born Sept. 3, 1922, on a farm north of Harlan. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan. He attended country school and grew to adulthood on the family farm.

May 18, 1957, he married Beatrice Nollen in California. Three sons were born to this union, Wendell, Steve and John. After their marriage, they continued to live in Los Angeles, CA, before returning to Harlan to farm. He was a member of the Harlan Council No. 3900 Knights of Columbus and St. Michael's Catholic Church. He died June 23, 2001, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 78 years, nine months and 20 days.

LaVern was preceded in death by his parents. Survivors include his wife, Beatrice of Harlan; his children, Wendell Koppold (Jean) of Ogallala, NE; Steve Koppold and John Koppold, both of Harlan; his brothers and sisters, Francis Koppold of West Des Moines; Mary Ann (Howard) Goettsch of Walnut; Leona (Birdie) (Don) Ashbaugh of Bellflower, CA; Victor Koppold of Shenandoah; Leonard Koppold (Sharon) of Los Angeles; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated June 26, 2001, at St. Michael's Catholic Church with Rev. Howard Fitzgerald celebrant. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery with John Koppold, Wendell Koppold, Steve Koppold, Calvin Peterson, Dean Fornoff and Howard Goettsch casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.