

Neil J. Kwapiszeski, 56

March 16, 1941 - Oct. 30, 1997

PANAMA - Neil John Kwapiszeski, son of Leo and Ann (Nowatzke) Kwapiszeski, was born March 16, 1941, at Earling. He grew to adulthood in the Panama area and attended St. Mary's Catholic School in Panama, graduating in 1959. He later attended Creighton University in Omaha, NE and also served in the United States Army during the Vietnam Era.

May 29, 1965, he married Maxine Freund at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling. To this union two children were born, Sheri and Scott. Neil farmed, owned Neil's Grain Bin Construction and S & K Electric Motor Repair. He was a member of St. Mary's of the Assumption Catholic Church in Panama. He died at his home in Panama Oct. 30, 1997, at age 56 years, seven months and 14 days.

He was preceded in death by his father Leo. He is survived by his wife, Maxine; his daughter, Sheri Kwapiszeski of Charlotte, NC and Dr. Scott (Kim) of Neosho, MO.

A Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated Nov. 3, 1997, at St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church in Panama, with Rev. Michael G. Peters celebrant and Rev. Richard Gubbels and Rev. Eugene Klein concelebrating. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery in Panama, with Mark Assman, Dave Hoffmann, Larry Klein, Duane Nowatzke, Neil Schwery, Mike Nowatzke, Ralph Schwery and Randal Nowatzke casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.