

H. W. "Bill" Plambeck, 77

Sept. 12, 1921 - June 8, 1999

PERSIA - Harry William "Bill" Plambeck, son of Harry and Kathryn (Pursell) Plambeck, was born Sept. 12, 1921, in Persia. He was baptized in Neola. He made his first holy communion and was confirmed in Portsmouth. He attended school at St. Mary's in Portsmouth, and grew to adulthood at Persia.

May 11, 1943, he married Helen K. Greiner at St. Mary's Church in Portsmouth. To this union nine children were born, five sons and four daughters, William, John, Mary, Jan, Jerry, Patty, Robert, Jim and Lori. Bill and Helen have been lifetime members of St. Mary's Parish in Portsmouth. He farmed for 47 years in the Persia and Portsmouth area. They ran the Sale Barn Cafe in Kimballton for 35 years. This was his way of keeping in touch and chatting with the other farmers. He died June 8, 1999, at Jennie Edmundson Hospital in Co. Bluffs, at age 77 years, eight months and 26 days.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister, Doris, and two brothers, Dennis and Max. He is survived by his wife, Helen of Persia; his children, Bill Plambeck (Barb) of Persia; John Plambeck (Ruth) of Persia; Mary (John) Herkenrath of Fremont, NE; Jan (Bob) Mortensen of Oakland; Jerry Plambeck (Carol) of Persia; Patty (Bob) West of Granger; Robert Plambeck of Portsmouth; Jim Plambeck (Tracy) of Persia; Lori (Dan) Reinig of Mulino, OR; a sister, Donna (Robert) Norgaard of Omaha, NE; 21 grandchildren; five great grandchildren and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated June 10, 1999, at St. Mary Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Portsmouth, with Rev. Paul Bianchi celebrant. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery in Portsmouth, with Ryan West, J.J. Herkenrath, Justin West, Chad Plambeck, Duane Johnson and Troy Plambeck casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

