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## James F. Feser, 73

*July 1, 1927 - Feb. 13, 2001*

**DEFIANCE** – James Frank Feser was born July 1, 1927, to Elizabeth (Dresen) and Anton F. Feser on a farm near Defiance. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Peter's Catholic Church. He attended rural country school and St. Paul Catholic School in Defiance. He engaged in farming from childhood to 1964, when he became a self employed bulldozer operator. He continued his business until 1968. From 1968 until his retirement in 1989, he was a maintainer operator for Shelby County. He was a lifetime member of St. Peter's Catholic Church and National Rifle Association. He died Feb. 13, 2001, at his residence in Defiance, at age 73 years, seven months and 12 days.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers, John, Norbert, Charles and Kenneth. He is survived by his sisters, Virginia Goeres of Defiance; Ruth (Leo) Gross of Earling; Betty (Otis) Frazier of Dunlap; Arlene (Gary) Michel of Woodbine; Grace Tremel of Woodbine; Maxine (Bernie) Klein of Audubon; Velma (Larry) Fuhrman of Livermore and Marie Panchot of Overland, MO; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Feb. 16, 2001, at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Defiance. Burial was held in Sts. Peter and Paul Cemetery in Defiance, with Bob Feser, Jared Anastasi, Gary Feser, Louis Heller, Jim Scheuring and Terry Goeres casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

