

Theodore J. Foxhoven, 97

June 2, 1902 - Aug. 21, 1999

EARLING - Theodore John Foxhoven, son of William and Anna (Engel) Foxhoven, was born June 2, 1902, in Earling. He was baptized at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia, and attended school at St. Joseph's Catholic School in Earling.

Ted married Clara Hein at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Portsmouth, Jan. 29, 1929. To this union four children were born, Dorothy, Leo, Marilyn and Gerald. Following their wedding, the couple farmed near Panama where they remained for 12 years until moving to Ted's father's farm near Earling. He retired in 1972 living in Earling seven years, and then moving to Harlan. In 1993 he became a resident of Little Flower Haven Nursing Home. He was active in farming for over 43 years, using horses until 1949 when he purchased his first tractor. He raised cattle, hogs and dairy cattle and was also noted in the area for his "water witching" talents. He was instrumental in digging the footings for St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling. He died Aug. 21, 1999, at Little Flower Haven Nursing Home at age 97 years, two months and 19 days.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his daughter, Dorothy; son, Gerald; grandson, Jeffery Scott; brothers, William, Peter, Paul, Henry, Ralph, Albert and Alfred; and sisters Catherine, Kunigunda, Isabelle, Cecelia and Rose. Survivors include his wife, Clara; children, Lec Foxhoven (Donna) of Dakota City, NE; Marilyn Henkel of Denison; his brother, Bernard Foxhoven of Shenandoah; his sister, Mathilda Healey of Oxnard, CA; nine grandchildren; 14 great grandchildrer and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Aug. 24, 1999, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling, with Rev. Michael Berner celebrant. Burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery in Earling, with Steve Rau, Michael Foxhoven, Ray Stein, Thomas Foxhoven, Dennis Rau and John Foxhoven casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

