

## Daniel Rudolph Funke, 87

*May 23, 1912 – Feb. 13, 2000 \**

**HARLAN** – Daniel Rudolph Funke, son of Ernest and Augusta (Lampe) Funke, was born May 23, 1912, on a farm near Hollenberg, KS. He attended country school through the eighth grade. During his younger years, he worked at Yellowstone National Park in Wyoming, and then did farm work near Powell, WY.

July 7, 1943, Dan married Bertha Iona Zimmerman in Belleville, KS. The couple worked the family farm near Hollenberg for 23 years before moving to Harlan, in 1966. Dan was employed by Western Iowa Pork in Harlan. Feb. 5, 1999, because of poor health, Dan became a resident of the Little Flower Haven Nursing Home. The couple raised their grandchildren and he was involved with attending their sports and other activities. He died Feb. 13, 2000, at the Little Flower Haven Nursing Home in Earling, at age 87 years, eight months and 21 days.

Preceding Dan in death were his parents; one daughter, Sherriann Zimmerman; two sisters, Helen McIntosh and Viola Boston; and three brothers, Bill Funke, Bud Funke, Bud Funke and Lou Funke. Survivors include his wife of 56 years, Bertha I. Funke of Harlan; one sister, Elma Sand of Powell, WY; two brothers, Fred Funke of Greybull, WY and Erwin Funke of Powell, WY; two grandchildren, Brenda Danenhauer of Bentonville, AR and Brent Zimmerman of Omaha; six great grandchildren, Aaron Danenhauer, Melissa Danenhauer, Marcus Danenhauer, Kristina Zimmerman, Jessica Zimmerman and Amanda Zimmerman and other relatives.

Graveside services and burial was held Feb. 16, 2000, at the Fairbury Cemetery in Fairbury, NE. Casket bearers were Dan's family and friends. Burmeister-Johannsen Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.