

Raymond Lickteig, 89

March 28, 1905 - April 24, 1994

Westphalia - Raymond F. Lickteig, son of Frank and Elizabeth (Wolken) Lickteig was born March 28, 1905 on a farm near Scipio, KS in Anderson County. He was baptized at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Scipio, and attended school at Greeley, KS. He worked with his father on the farm and then followed the harvest starting at Tipton, KS and on into IA and SD. In 1926, he moved to Shelby County and worked on construction.

Oct. 10, 1928, he married Marie Schechinger at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia, and they farmed near there. After the death of his wife March 27, 1939, he continued to farm until 1953 when he moved to Co. Bluffs where he purchased the Hamm's Beer Distributorship for Southwest IA which he operated until 1979 when he sold the distributorship.

Aug. 29, 1959, he married Ada McKinley at Holy Family Catholic Church in Co. Bluffs. He continued to reside in Co. Bluffs after her death March 28, 1968. He always maintained an interest in the farm in Shelby County and his cattle ranch in SD. He continued to handle his business until he was injured in an automobile accident Oct. 2, 1992. Feb. 25, 1993, he became a resident of the Little Flower Haven Nursing Home in Earling, after an extended hospital stay. This is where he died April 24, 1994 at age 89 years and 27 days. He was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church in Co. Bluffs, the Knights of Columbus, Earling Council #1741 and charter member of the Luke E. Hart General Assembly 4th Degree Knights of Columbus and its Chalice Club. He was a past Grand Knight, past district deputy and advocate of the Earling Council. He had also been an active member of the Colonial Manor Nursing Home Board of Directors in Oakland, and was presently an honorary director. He had also been a member of the State Board of Concerned Citizens for Improvement and active in Soil Conservation. He was also a member of the Elk's Lodge #531 and a past member of the Loyal Order of Moose Lodge, both of Co. Bluffs.

In addition to his parents and wives, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Lester and Alfred and a sister Agatha Meyers. He is survived by his children - Cletus (Virginia) Lickteig of Denison; Sr. Raymarie Lickteig of Co. Bluffs; Therese (Urban) Henscheid of Westphalia; Thelma (Erv) Pauley of Defiance; Edward (Cathy) Lickteig of Tulsa, OK; and Ralph (Nancy) Lickteig of Fremont, NE; 17 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren; his sisters and brothers - Bea Gilner of Greeley, KS; Irma (Gene) Miller, also of Greeley; Dominic (Ida Faye) Lickteig of Defiance; Rev. Bernard Lickteig, O. Carm. of Scipio, KS; Francis (Mildred) Lickteig of Shawnee Mission, KS; Betty (Bernard) Gellhaus of Greeley, KS; and Rev. Fergus Lickteig, O. Carm. of Mahwah, NJ; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian burial was concelebrated April 27, 1994 at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia with Rev. Bernard Lickteig and Rev. Fergus Lickteig co-celebrating. Concelebrating was Rev. Tom Crowley, Rev. Carl Pfister, Rev. Cecil Pickert, Msgr. Robert Chamberlain, Msgr. Michael Schwarte, Rev. Don Daleke, Rev. Paul Monahan, Rev. John Cain and Rev. Steve Lemke. Burial was in St. Boniface cemetery in Westphalia with Erv Pauley, Jr., Michael Schechinger, Tony Goetz, Jr., Michael Lickteig, Jim Henscheid, Dennis Lickteig and Pat Goodeyon (all of Ray's Godchildren) honorary casket bearers. Casket bearers were Dion Lickteig, Jeron Henscheid, Robert Lickteig, Tom Pauley, Scott Lickteig and John Henscheid. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.