



Alfred J. Mikels, 67

PORTSMOUTH - Alfred John Mikels, son of Mathias and Genevieve (Fuhs) Mikels was born July 10, 1921 on a farm near Portsmouth. He died at the Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan on July 30, 1988 at age 67 years and 20 days. He was baptized, received his First Communion and confirmed at St. Mary's Catholic Church at Portsmouth. He attended both country school and St. Mary's School while growing to adulthood on his parent's farm.

On Sept. 7, 1944, he married Mae Williams at St. Mary's Catholic

Church in Portsmouth. Six children were born to his union. After they were married, they farmed in Harrison County. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Portsmouth.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one son, Donald; one brother, Edward and one sister, Eva Marie. He is survived by his wife, Mae of Woodbine; four sons, Ronald of Kansas City, MO; Wayne of Portsmouth and Galen and Brent both of Woodbine; one daughter, Karla (Mrs Steve) Shaffer of Woodbine; 11 grandchildren; two sisters, Veronica (Mrs Leonard) Klein of Kirkman and Delores (Mrs John) Hicks of Manhattan Beach, Ca; three brothers, Raymond, Delmar and Richard all of Portsmouth; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated Aug. 1, 1988 at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Portsmouth, with Rev. Paul Bianchi as the celebrant. Concelebrating priests were Rev. Bud Grant, Rev. Eugene Klein, Rev. Mike McLaughlin, and Rev. Dan Petsche. Burial was in St. Mary's Catholic Church, Portsmouth, with Jace Mikels, Jon Shaffer, Clark Mikels, Kari Shaffer, Lara Mikels, Bryce Mikels, Kathy Mikels, Genny Mikels, Brenda Mikels, Stacey Mikels and Shannon Mikels serving as honorary casket bearers. Serving as casket bearers were Dean Mikels, Galen Mikels, Brent Mikels, Wayne Mikels, Ronald Mikels and Steve Shaffer. Pauley Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.