

Donald R. Miller, 55

AVOCA — Donald Raymond Miller was born in Minden on Aug. 7, 1932. He was the son of James and Marie Juels Miller. He was one of five children in the family. He attended school in Avoca and graduated with the class of 1950.

On Jan. 5, 1951 he entered the service and served with the Navy until Oct. 20, 1954. He returned to Avoca following his service and he owned and operated a tavern for several years. After selling the tavern he started driving trucks along with helping his parents operate Don's Steak House in Avoca. The past 22 years he has made his home in Kansas City, MO where he was employed by Holmes Freight Lines. He was affiliated with the Trinity Lutheran Church in Avoca as well as the American Legion Post No. 227 and the V.F.W. and the Teamsters Union, Local No. 41. He died at the Bishop Clarkson hospital in Omaha on Jan. 14, 1988 at age 55 years.

He was preceded in death by his father; one brother, Darrell and one sister, Norma Jean Peters. He is survived by his mother, Marie Miller of Avoca; his sister, Janiece (Mrs Loren) Gatzemeyer and his brother, Larry all living in Omaha besides several nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were Jan. 16, 1988 at Berthusen-Knutson Funeral Home with Pastor Harold Petersen, officiating. Military Graveside services were conducted by Fred Funston, American Legion Post No. 227. Burial was in the Graceland cemetery, Avoca with Douglas Holtz, Paul Simonsen, Jack True, Willis Rock, Marlin Andersen and Jack Whitney serving as casket bearers.