

Gail N. Mosher, 67

HARLAN - Gail Nelson Mosher, son of Otto and Eva (Johnston) Mosher, was born Dec. 4, 1922, at Bogard, MO. He died at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan, Oct. 12, 1990, at age 67 years, 10 months and 8 days. He attended school at Bogard. Later after the death of both of his parents, at age of 15, he moved with his brother, Gerald and his wife, Erma to the Shelby Co. area. He then attended Kirkman High School and graduated in the class of 1940. He then went on to attend Grand Island Business School in Grand Island, NE., for a short-time.

Jan. 26, 1943, he was inducted into the U.S. Army. He served his country during WW II as an Amphibian Tractor Driver in the South Pacific Theatre. During his active service, he received the Good Conduct Medal and also the Bronze Service Arrowhead. After his honorable discharge Jan. 20, 1946, he returned to the Shelby County area.

May 19, 1946, he married Dorothy Rattenborg at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Harlan. Four children were born to this union. After they were married, they farmed southeast of Harlan for many years. In 1969, he retired from farming, and went to work for Nelson Farm Supply, and in 1971 he went to work for the Harlan Feed Service. He worked there until 1985 when he retired. He then worked on a part time basis for his son, Randy at the Mosher Construction Company. They have continued to make their home on the farm. He was former member of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church at Jacksonville, and is currently a member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Harlan.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Eldon and Gerald, and two sisters, Arline and Norma. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy of Harlan; two daughters, Lynn McDowell (Jack) of Waterloo, and Becky McCleery (Michael) of Knoxville; two sons, Randy (Pam) of Harlan and Reid (Linda) of Sioux Center; eight grandchildren; two sisters-in-law, Erma Mosher of Harlan and Tillie Mosher of Lees Summit, MO.; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Oct. 15, 1990 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Harlan with Pastor Otto Zwanziger, officiating. Military rites were conducted at the Harlan cemetery by the Shelby County V.F.W., Post # 941 of Harlan. Serving as honorary casketbearers were Vic Morgan, Forrest Adams, William Hansen, Edward Mathiasen, and Melvin Rasmussen and serving as casketbearers were Ken Bruck, Sylvan Klein, Dennis Heflin, Mike Andersen, Donald Poole, and Steve Mathiasen. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.