

James McLaughlin, 69

May 11, 1933 - April 28, 2003

JOICE – James Phillip McLaughlin was born May 11, 1933, at Portsmouth, the son of Sara Powers and Michael McLaughlin. He graduated from high school in Harlan with the class of 1952.

James married Marlene Myrton Oct. 20, 1959, at Independence. They lived in several communities and most recently owned and operated Toma Meats in Ventura for 15 years until retirement. He died April 28, 2003, at age 69.

James was preceded in death by his parents and one infant brother, Billy. He is survived by his wife, Marlene McLaughlin of Ventura; two sons, Kirk McLaughlin of Ventura and Jeff McLaughlin of Forest City; four sisters and one brother, Evelyn Talbott and her fiancé, Mason Wagoner of Council Bluffs; Dick (Colleene) McLaughlin of Harlan; Jerilyn (Gail) Hess of DeWitt; Pat (Bob) Goeser of Crescent; and Janice (Tim) Pabst of Eagan, MN; nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held May 1, 2003, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Lake Mills, with Father Jerry Blake officiating. Burial was in St. Patrick's Catholic Cemetery, rural Lake Mills. Casket bearers were Paul Menke, Jon Bokelman, Dale Anderson, Oscar Davis, Hank Bokelman, Carl Anderson and Jim Malloy. Mittelstadt Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.