



## **Alfonse J. Schomers, 67**

**Oct. 18, 1924 - Oct. 14, 1992**

**WESTPHALIA** — Alfonse "Alf" John Schomers, son of Mathias and Margaret Heese Schomers was born Oct. 18, 1924, at Westphalia. He died Oct. 14, 1992, at the Fisher-Titus Medical Center in Norwalk, OH., just four days before his 68th birthday. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia, and attended St. Boniface School.

Feb. 3, 1948, he married Alice Schechinger at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia. Ten children were born to this union. After their marriage, they made their home on a farm near Westphalia. After the death of Alice March 23, 1979, he continued to reside on the farm.

Sept. 30, 1989, he married Catherine Reinig Buman at St. Boniface Catholic Church. They have continued to reside on the farm since that time. He was a member of St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia and the

Knights of Columbus, Earling Council #1741 as well as the Luke E. Hart General Assembly 4th Degree Knights of Columbus and its Chalice Club of Defiance. He was the President of the board of directors of the Little Flower Haven Nursing Home in Earling. He also was a past member of the board of directors of the Farmers Trust & Savings Bank in Earling; was a member of the Westphalia Athletic Club, the Shelby County Cattlemen and Pork Producers and was also on the board of the Earling Telephone Co.

In addition to his parents and first wife, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Francis C. and Cyril J. Schomers; and three other children who died in infancy. Surviving is his wife, Catherine of rural Earling; his children, Jerry (Patricia) of Omaha, NE.; Don (Judy) of Westphalia; Shirley (Ted) Herbst of Cedar Rapids; David (Rose) of Westphalia; Nancy (Greg) Thrasher of Omaha; Mary Jane (Craig) Rasmussen of Caracas, Venezuela; Linda (Jim) Gidley of Omaha; Randy (Lisa) of Ankeny; Bill of Omaha; and Julie (Kurt) Andersen of Cedar Rapids; his step-children, Jim (Diane) Buman of Harlan; Sharon (Mike) Coenen of Defiance; Paul (Ann) Buman of Portsmouth; Larry Buman of Co. Bluffs; and Susan Buman of Harlan; 18 grandchildren; 5 step-grandchildren; two sisters, Ella Mae (Roman) Schmitz of Westphalia; and Margaret (John) Wageman of rural Harlan; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Oct. 17, 1992 at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia with Rev. Edward Kelly of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan, celebrant. Burial was in the St. Boniface cemetery with Jim Buman, James Schmitz, Paul Buman, Larry Buman, Dean Schwery, Dan Wageman, Kenny Schechinger, and Michael M. Schomers casketbearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.