

LaVere Skalla, 78

PORTSMOUTH - LaVere John Skalla, the son of Jacob and Elizabeth (vicarious) Skalla was born on Oct. 18, 1910, on a farm northwest of Portsmouth. He died on Sept. 6, 1989 at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan, at age 78 years, ten months and 19 days.

He was baptized, received his First Communion and was confirmed at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Portsmouth. He attended St. Mary's School, and grew to adulthood on the family farm. After school, he continued to farm with his parents and continued to live there until 1983, when he became a resident of the Little Flower Haven in Earling and this has been his home since that home. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Portsmouth.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Robert and Vincent. Surviving him are two brothers, Alfred and Edwin "Bud" both of Portsmouth; three sisters, Helen (Mrs Al) Huebner of Portsmouth; Sylvia (Mrs Donald) Kepford of Norwalk, CA., and Rose Ann (Mrs Jerome) Brummer of



Logan; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated Sept, 9, 1989 at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Portsmouth with Rev. Mike McLaughlin as the celebrant and Rev. Eugene Klein concelebrated. Burial was in St. Mary's cemetery with Harry Sonderman, Bud Skalla, Nick Schechinger, Otto Klein, Ronald Reinig and John Ohlinger serving as casketbearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.