

Albert Sonderman, 81

Dec. 2, 1912 - May 10, 1994

Earling - Albert Raymond Sonderman, son of August and Elizabeth (Kenkel) Sonderman was born Dec. 2, 1912 on a farm near Earling. He died May 10, 1994 at Little Flower Haven Nursing Home in Earling at age 81 years, five months and eight days. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling and attended St. Joseph's Catholic School, growing to adulthood on the family farm.

Oct. 26, 1936 he married Dorothy Rosman at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Defiance. Seven children were born to this union. After their marriage, they lived on the farm northwest of Earling which Albert purchased from his father. He retired from farming in 1976 and they built their home in Earling where they moved in 1977. He was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling, the Holy Name Society, the Knights of Columbus, Earling Council #1741, the Earling Volunteer Fire Department, the Commercial Club and was a Township Committee Chairman.

Preceding him in death were his parents, three brothers, Joseph, Vincent and John Sonderman, two sisters, Margaret Huebner and Barbara Sonderman and a great-grandson, Justin Assmann. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy of Earling; his children - Pauline (Ronald) Wilwerding of Omaha; Bob (Diane) Sonderman of Earling, Pat (Bob) Gross and Sara (Rick) Graeve, both of Omaha, Connie (Tim) Cumberland of Columbus, NE, Sam (Shiela) Sonderman and Jaci (Gerak) Bogler, both of Earling; 19 grandchildren, four great-grandchildren; a brother, Alfred (Rita) Sonderman of Akron, OH and two sisters - Mathilda Morfeld of Panama and Lavine Rosman of Earling; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated May 12, 1994 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling with Rev. Chuck Kottas celebrant. Concelebrating was Rev. Eugene Klein, Rev. Don Bruck and Rev. Cornelius Gaul. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery in Earling with Mike Sonderman, Nick Cumberland, Clint Sonderman and Jason Cumberland honorary casket bearers. Casket bearers were Jeff Gross, Chad Sonderman, Doug Wilwerding, Corey Sonderman, Steve Graeve and Curt Sonderman. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.