

# Anthony B. Schiltz, 79

Sept. 25, 1919 - Feb. 22, 1999

**EARLING** - Anthony Benedict Schiltz, son of Joseph and Kathryn (Blum) Schiltz, was born Sept. 25, 1919, at Panama. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Mary's Catholic Church and graduated with the class of 1938 from St. Mary's Catholic School.

Sept. 18, 1944, he married Benita Bissen at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Defiance. The couple farmed in the Defiance and Irwin area before moving to their present farm north of Earling in 1954. Tony retired from farming in 1984. After Retirement, the farm remained an important part of his life. He was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling, a member of the Parish Council, served on the school board at St. Joseph's Catholic School and was a member of the Knights of Columbus, Earling Council No. 1741. He was recognized as Farmer of the Year in 1969. He died at his home in Earling, Feb. 22, 1999, at age 79 years, four months and 27 days.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two infant children, Mary and Gerard; his sister, Ann (Ray) Conway; his sister-in-law, Irene Schiltz, and brother-in-law, Linus Goblirsch. Survivors include his wife, Benita; his children, Tony Schiltz (Helen) of Davenport; Joann (Tony) Allegretti of San Jose, CA; Bob Schiltz (Linda) of Earling; Gene Schiltz (Marian) of Des Moines; Jim Schiltz of Omaha and Mary (Delmer) Powell, also of Omaha; 19 grandchildren and five great grandchildren; his brothers and sisters, Joe Schiltz of Manilla; Carolyn Denning of Neola; Theresa Wilson of Gun Barrel City, TX; Mike Schiltz of Bancroft; Hermanette Tank of Manning; Mary Poole of Harlan; and Laurina Schleisman of Omaha; and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Feb. 26, 1999, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling, with Rev. Michael Berner the celebrant. Burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery in Earling, with Brad Schiltz, Paul Allegretti and Marty Schiltz honorary casket bearers. Casket bearers were Aaron Schiltz, Jamison Schiltz, Scott Schiltz, Danny Schiltz, Steve Schiltz, David Schiltz, Todd Brummer and Michael Allegretti. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

