

Alfred Frederick Skalla, 86

Aug. 4, 1913 - June 23, 2000

PORTSMOUTH- Alfred Frederick Skalla, son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Vicarius) Skalla, was born on his family's farm near Portsmouth, Aug. 4, 1913. He was raised in the Portsmouth community and attended St. Mary's Catholic Schools. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Mary Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Portsmouth.

Alfred married Viola Zangerle June 21, 1943, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Portsmouth. They were the parents of one daughter, Connie. After marriage, he continued to farm until his retirement in 1980, when he and Viola moved into their new home in Portsmouth. He was a retired Portsmouth Volunteer Fireman as well as a lifetime member of St. Mary Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church. He died June 23, 2000, at his residence in Portsmouth, at age 86 years, 10 months and 19 days.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers, LaVere, Robert (Bob) and Vincent (Short). Survivors include his wife, Viola of Portsmouth; his daughter, Connie (Wayne) Juhl of Breda; four grandchildren and one great grandchild; three sisters, Helen Huebner of Co. Bluffs; Sylvia (Don) Kepford of San Jacinto, CA and Rose Ann Brummer of Woodbine; and one brother, Edwin Skalla of Harlan; and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held June 26, 2000, at St. Mary Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Portsmouth, with Rev. Paul Bianchi celebrant. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery in Portsmouth, with Nick Bruck, Rich Ohlinger, Joe Reinig, Gene Smith, Ron Huebner and Phil Heller casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

