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Aloysius Wilwerding, 90

June 2, 1903 – October 22, 1993

EARLING—Aloysius Wilwerding, son of Jacob W. and Rose (Golobith) Wilwerding, was born June 2, 1903 near Earling. He died Oct. 22, 1993 at Santa Rosa, CA at the age of 90 years, four month and 20 days. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling and attended St. Joseph's School. He later attending Dowling high school in Des Moines. Mr. Wilwerding then moved to Chicago for a short time. May 30, 1927, he married Rachel Mildred Morrissey at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan. Three children were born to this union. Aloysius and Rachel farmed at Earling, and in 1947, moved to a farm near Defiance. In 1951, they moved to Kansas City, and in 1952, returned to Defiance for a short time to sell the farm. After returning to Kansas City, Aloysius worked for Ford Motors and operated a laundry route. After the death of his wife on Sept. 21, 1961, Al lived in Locas Grove, AR for a short time. He then moved back to Harlan in 1978 when the Westridge Apartments were constructed, and he was one of the first residents of the apartment building. While there, he was married to Maxine Grimes. She died after two years of marriage to Al. In 1985, he moved to Santa Rosa, CA where he made his home with his daughter, Frances. In 1988 he became a resident of the Creekside Convalescent Hospital in Santa Rosa, and this was his home until the time of death.

In addition to his parents and wives, he was preceded in death by a son, Jacob Wilwerding and his brothers and sisters; Rose Erlbacher, Lena Miller, Mary Langenfeld, Eleanor (Sr. Ambilis), Isabelle (Sr. Ermenhilda), Basil (Br. Joseph), Theresa Kohles and Dorothy Koesters, his twin sister. He is survived by his daughter, Frances Madsen (George) of Santa Rosa, and his son, Daniel Wilwerding of Pennsylvania; nieces and nephews, other relatives and many friends. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Thurs., Oct. 28, 1993 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling with Rev. Chuck Kottas as the celebrant. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery with Dick Viola, David Wilwerding, Don Kohles, Denny Kohles, Merle Langenfeld and John Erlbacher serving as casket bearers, Pauley Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.