

Philip H. Dressen , 41

Omaha, Neb. — Philip Henry Dressen, son of Henry and Elizabeth Rosman Dressen, was born on a farm in Shelby county near Earling, on Feb. 18, 1938. He was baptized at St. Joseph's church in Earling. At the age of four he moved with his parents to Defiance. It was here he received his First Communion and was later confirmed at St. Peter's church.

He attended St. Paul's school and grew to adulthood in Defiance. After graduating from St. Paul's high school in 1956, he attended the University of Omaha for sometime. For a while he was employed at Waterman Garage and at Western Electric in Omaha. Phil then spent six months in the service stationed in Washington. He returned to Omaha where he taught various courses at the Omaha Metropolitan Technical Community College for several years. He then operated Dilly's Ltd., his own garage and used car business. Philip died at Jennie Edmundson Memorial hospital in Co. Bluffs, on Friday, March 9, 1979 as a result of an auto accident, at age 41 years and 21 days. He was a member of the Catholic church.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents. Survivors include a son, John, and a daughter, Carla, both of Omaha; his parents, Mr and Mrs Henry Dressen of Harlan; two sisters, Audrey (Mrs Victor Chigas) of Glenview, Ill., and Margaret (Mrs Herman Hunter) of Los Angeles, Calif., nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Michael's church in Harlan, on Monday, March 12, 1979, with Rev. Richard G. Wagner as celebrant. Burial was in the Harlan cemetery, with Denny Kenkel, Larry Dressen, Bob Sonderman, John J. Heller, Richard Molden, Ivo Wilwerding and Christopher Chigas serving as pallbearers.