

HALLER, John

John Haller, 88

John Haller, the son of Louis and Barbara Haller, was born on a farm near Rich Fountain, Mo., on Feb. 25, 1892. He was baptized and confirmed in the Catholic church in Rich Fountain. He attended a country school and grew to adulthood on his parents farm. Mr Haller enlisted in the U.S. Army on July 29, 1918. He served in France during WW I and was honorably discharged on March 11, 1919.

On Sept. 22, 1925, he was united in marriage to Helen Schwery at St. Mary's Catholic church of Portsmouth. Four children were born to this union. They farmed near Portsmouth until 1955. At that time, they moved to Harlan and Mr Haller worked as a butcher until his retirement in 1965. They continued to make their home in Harlan. Mr Haller was a member of St. Michael's Catholic church in Harlan. He was also a Charter member of the American Legion Post No. 547 of Portsmouth. Mr Haller died at his home at 507 Stowe Court, Harlan, on June 26, 1980, at the age of 88 years, four months and one day.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one son, Harold; five brothers - John, Andrew, Pete, Vincent, and Raymond; and three sisters - Lizzy, Dena, and Maggie. His survivors include his wife, Helen, of Harlan; three daughters - Jo Ann (Mrs Julius) Ulfers of Co. Bluffs; Judy (Mrs Ted) Kenkel of Co. Bluffs; and Jan (Mrs Ray) Kloewer of Harlan; 14 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren; by five sisters - Kunegunda Brendel, Mary Gradel, Barbara Vermoilen and Tillie Fradel all of Freeberg,

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Mo.; and Anna Haller, of St. Louis, Mo., and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Michael's Catholic church, Harlan, Saturday, June 28, 1980, with Rev. Richard G. Wagner as Celebrant.

Burial was in St. Mary's cemetery, Portsmouth, with Dan Kenkel, Randy Kenkel, Todd Kloewer, Roger Haferbier, Harold Haferbier, and Rodney Haferbier serving as pallbearers. Military rites were conducted at the cemetery by American Legion Post No. 547 of Portsmouth.