

1983 **Lawrence A. Kramer, 73**

Lawrence Ambrose Kramer, the son of Alvin F. and Margaret Tremel Kramer was born March 13, 1910 in Earling. He was baptized, received his First Communion and confirmed at St. Joseph's Catholic church in Earling. He attended St. Joseph's Catholic school and grew to adulthood in Earling. After school he worked in Earling on a cream and egg route for several years.

On Oct. 22, 1945, he married Mariella Finken at St. Joseph's Catholic church in Earling. One son was born to this union. After their marriage he worked as a guard at the Iowa Penitentiary in Ft. Madison for a few years and later for Schafer Pen Co. He returned to Earling in 1947 and worked as a self employed sales representative. After retiring in 1975, he continued to live in Earling.

He was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic church in Earling. He died on Thursday, Sept. 1, 1983 at Mercy hospital in Co. Bluffs, having attained the age of 73 years, 5 months and 29 days.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Alfred. He is survived by his wife, Mariella of Earling; one son, Lawrence J. Kramer of Earling; one brother, John of Waterloo; three sisters, Sr. Helen of Milwaukee, Wisc.; Lucine (Mrs Leo) Klein of Harlan; and Margaret Willis of Waterloo; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Saturday, Sept. 3, 1983 at St. Joseph's Catholic church in Earling with the Rev. Tom DeCarlo as celebrant.

Burial was in the St. Joseph's cemetery, Earling, with Delbert Klein, Gerald Kramer, Steven Finken, Donald Kramer, Richard Finken and John T. Kramer serving as casketbearers.

Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan was in charge of arrangements.