

Joseph "Bud" Mahlberg, 56

Earling — Joseph "Bud" Anthony Mahlberg, son of Joseph and La Vera (Downey) Mahlberg was born Nov. 24, 1924, in Panama. He was baptized, received his First Communion and confirmation at St. Marys church in Panama. After attending school in Panama, Bud worked for the Panama Oil Co. until he entered the U. S. Navy to serve for a short time during World War II.

On Nov. 24, 1944, Bud married Irene

Leinen at St. Joseph church in Earling. 11 children were born to this union. After their marriage, they lived in Harlan for one year while Bud was employed at the Harlan Milling Co. They then made their home in Earling, where Bud worked at J. C. Hermrick Implement Co. for seven years and then was employed at J. C. Heese Lumber Co. for 17 years. For the past two years, Bud has worked as a janitor for the Harlan Community high school until he retired.

Mr Mahlberg was a member of St. Joseph's church in Earling and a past Commander of the American Legion, Post No. 615 in Earling as well as an honorary member of the Quad County C.B. Club. He died at his home in Earling on March 1, 1981 at age 56 years. 3 months and 7 days.

In addition to his parents, Bud was preceded in death by one brother, Walter and one sister, Maxine Gross. He is survived by his wife, Irene of Earling; seven sons, Darrell of Charter Oak; Randy of Earling; Terry of Anchorage, Alaska; David of Denison; Joseph, Jr., Tim and Kelly, all of Earling; four daughters, Sandy Mahlberg of Earling; Karen (Mrs David) Jones of Janesville; Becky Mahlberg of Co. Bluffs and Jane Mahlberg of Earling; nine grandchildren; two brothers, Mike and Peter Mahlberg, both of Panama; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Concelebrated Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Joseph's church on Wednesday, March 4, 1981 at 11 a.m. with the Rev. Jon Kautzky as celebrant and the Rev. David Fenelon and Msgr. John McIlhon as concelebrants. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery with Joseph's seven sons, Darrell, Randy, Terry, David, Joseph, Jim and Kelly, serving as casketbearers. Pauley Funeral Home, Harlan handled arrangements.