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Alphonse Hoffmann, 79

PANAMA – Alphonse John Hoffmann, the son of John and Anna (Wingert) Hoffmann, was born Feb. 12, 1911 near Panama. He died Feb. 27, 1990 at Jennie Edmundson Hospital in Co. Bluffs, just 15 days after his 79th birthday. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Panama, and attended St. Mary's School. He grew to adulthood helping on his parents' farm.

Sept. 29, 1942, he married Lucille Kuhl at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling. Five sons were born to this union. After their marriage, they farmed in the Panama area all their married life until 1975, when he retired from farming. In 1978, they moved into their present home in Panama. They were privileged to have celebrated their 47th wedding anniversary in Sept. of last year.

He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Panama; a member of the board of directors of Farmers Mutual Telephone Co.; board of directors of Farmers Grain and Mercantile Elevator, both of Panama; and a member of the Home/School Association of St. Mary's, Panama-Portsmouth Catholic Schools.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Lambert. Surviving him in addition to his wife, Lucille of Panama are his sons, Jim of Dunlap; Ron of Papillion, NE.; Bob of Center Point, TX.; Mike of West Des Moines and Brian of Spencer; seven grandchildren; two sisters, Dorothy (Mrs Gerald) Stapleton of San Francisco, CA., and Margaret Aliano

of Santa Rosa, CA; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian burial was concelebrated March 2, 1990 at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Panama, with Rev. Paul Bianchi as the celebrant. Concelebrating was Rev. Fred Reischl and Rev. Larry Hoffmann. Burial was in St. Mary's cemetery with Martin Mages, Dean Gubbels, Joe Hoffmann. Ralph Wingert, John Hoffmann and Dave Hoffmann serving as casketbearers. Pauley Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.