

## Leo J. Engel, 85

*Oct. 9, 1915 – April 6, 2001*

**MANILLA** – Leo John, son of Albert and Mary Schmitz Engel, was born Oct. 9, 1915, in Westphalia. He grew up on the family farm near Westphalia, where he attended school and graduated with the St. Boniface High School class of 1934. Following his schooling, he stayed home and helped on the family farm.

Oct. 9, 1940, he married Ella Mae Sternberg at St. Peter's Church in Omaha, NE. Four children were born to this union. They lived in Omaha for a short time before returning to farm near Westphalia. In 1970, they moved to Manilla, where Leo worked as a feed salesman for a few years. After suffering a number of strokes, he became a resident of the Manilla Manor in Manilla, in October of 1995. Leo was a member of Sacred Heart Church in Manilla, and served on the Westphalia Fire Department for a number of years. April 6, 2001, he died at Manning Regional Healthcare Center in Manning, at age 85 years, five months and 28 days.

Besides his parents, Leo, was preceded in death by his brothers and sisters, Larry Engel, Lillian Philsom, Leroy Engel and Lavina Pearson. He is survived by his wife, Ella of Manilla; two sons, Douglas Engel (Beverly) of Omaha, NE and Keith Engel (Ann) of Council Bluffs; two daughters, Sheila (Doug) Bornhoft of Manilla and Kathy (Mike) Kintner of Des Moines; four grandchildren, Lisa, Paul and Kati Bornhoft and Eric Kintner; a brother-in-law, Neil Sternberg of Harlan; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held April 9, 2001, at the Sacred Heart Church with Father Robert Gralapp officiating. Burial was in the Mount Olivet Cemetery, Manilla. Casket bearers were Eric Kintner, Dan Engel, Paul Bornhoft, Dave Sternberg, Don Goeser and Tim Jurgensen. Ohde Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.