

Funeral Notices

DOUBLE RITES

BIELANSKI, Sgt. Richard W., age 21, BIELANSKI, Mrs. Regina L., age 20, both died Thursday, July 27, 1972. Services Monday 10 A. M. St. Michael's Catholic Church, Harlan, Iowa. Rosary Saturday 9 P. M. Pauley Home For Funerals, Harlan, Iowa. Wake Service Sunday 8 P. M. at Pauley's. Offutt Air Force Base Personnel will conduct Military Rites at Grange Cemetery, Viewing at the Meyer Chapel until Noon Saturday. MEYER FUNERAL HOME

Auto accident near Persia kills former Harlan girl; spouse

A one car accident south of Persia claimed the life of a former Harlan girl, Regina Bielanski, 20, daughter of Mr and Mrs Glen Wright of Harlan, and her husband, Richard, 21, originally from Brooklyn, N.Y.

Harrison county sheriff Louis Allstot said the couple was apparently driving north on Hwy 191 about 2:30 a.m. July 27, when the car went off the road, struck a culvert and flipped over, throwing Mrs Bielanski from the vehicle.

The wreckage wasn't discovered until five hours later, Allstot added.

The Rev. Dennis Daugherty will officiate at the double rites today (Monday) at 10 a.m. at St Michaels Catholic church in Harlan. Burials will be in the Grange Cemetery, Honey Creek, Ia. with Offutt AFB personnel presenting military graveside rites.

Mrs Bielanski's father said the couple was apparently enroute to Harlan from Warren Air Force Base, Cheyenne, Wyo. where he was a sergeant in the U.S. Air Force. Until recently he had been stationed at Offutt AFB, Omaha, Nebr.

The couple was married May 13, 1972. Bielanski had just re-enlisted in the Air Force after serving three and one-half years.

The former Regina Wright was a 1970 graduate of Harlan high school and was one of the "Trophy Girls" at the Shelby County Speedway for two years.

Mrs Bielanski is survived by her parents: Mr and Mrs Glen Wright of Harlan; three sisters: Mrs Cindy Blum of Estherville, Susan and Elizabeth of Harlan; two brothers: Joseph and Scott of Harlan, and grandmothers: Mrs Joe Wright of Co. Bluffs and Mrs Paul Pedersen of Avoca.



Life Story of

Sgt. Richard Walter Bielanski, 21 and
Mrs Richard (Regina Lynn) Bielanski, 20

Sgt. Richard Walter Bielanski, son of Walter and Ann Bielanski was born March 16, 1951, in Brooklyn, New York.

Regina Lynn Bielanski, daughter of Glen and Cherie Wright was born April 1, 1951, in Omaha, Neb.

Richard and Regina died in Persia, Iowa, July 27, 1972 at the respective ages of 21 years, 4 months, 11 days and 20 years, 3 months and 26 days. Richard and Regina Bielanski were Married May 13, 1972, at the St. Mary's Catholic church in Panama, Iowa.

Regina graduated from Harlan Community School in 1970 and Richard attended St. Margaret's and Queen's Aviation High School.

Mr and Mrs Bielanski had affiliations with the respective churches, St. Margaret's and St. Micheals Catholic church of Harlan.

Mr Bielanski had been an assistant Scout Master for the Boy Scouts of America, troop no. 119.

Mr and Mrs Bielanski were enroute from Francis E. Warren Air Force Base where he had been stationed in Cheyenne, Wyo. to their home in Iowa at the time of their deaths.

Mrs Bielanski is survived by her parents and sisters Susan and Elizabeth and brothers Joseph and Scott all of Harlan, and also a sister who lives in Estherville, Mrs Cindy Blum.

Mr Bielanski is survived by his parents and a sister Susan all of New York.

Double funeral rights were conducted at St. Micheal's Catholic church in Harlan, July 31, 1972, with Rev Dennis Dougherty officiating. Thomas Wilbur, Frank Schmitter, George Herring, Ron Mraz, Rick Rupper, Alan Leinen, Ron Mookie, Tim Vipond, Glen Linstadt, Jim Halvormand, Bob Fickbohm, and Larry Pedding were casket bearers.

Burial for the couple was at Grange cemetery at Honey Creek, Iowa.