

## LeVerne F. Blum, 67

Panama — LeVerne Francis Blum, the son of John P. and Elizabeth Reuschenberg Blum, was born April 8, 1915, on a farm near Defiance. He was baptized, received his First Communion and confirmed at St. Peter's Catholic church in Defiance. He attended grade school at St. Paul's Catholic school in Defiance. After school, he helped on the family farm near Defiance while growing to adulthood.

On May 21, 1946 he married Lucille Wilwerding at St. Joseph's Catholic church in Earling. Four children were born to this union. After working various places until 1949, he then purchased the Skelly Station in Panama, which he owned and operated until retiring in 1982.

He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic church in Panama, a long time member of the Panama City Council and also a past member of the Panama Volunteer Fire Department. He died at Bishop Clarkson Memorial hospital in Omaha on Saturday, March 5, 1983 at the age of 67 years, 10 months and 28 days.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Fr. Victor Blum S.J. He is survived by his wife, Lucille of Panama; two sons, Dan J. Blum, M.D., of Rochester, Minn. and Doug D. Blum of Omaha; two daughters: Judith (Mrs Steve) Jauron of Sergeant Bluff and Jackie Blum of Panama; seven brothers, Edgar of Earling, Fr. Virgil Blum, S.J. of Milwaukee, Wisc.; Edwin of Marshalltown, Ermin of Omaha, Cyril (Bob) of San Anselma, Calif., Reno of Omaha and Leander of Earling.

Probate # 10170  
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LeVerne Blum, age 67, died during surgery at Bishop Clarkson hospital in Omaha, Saturday morning. He operated an oil station here for many years. He is survived by his wife Lucille, two sons, Dr. Dan Blum of Rochester, Minn. and Doug Blum of Omaha; two daughters, Judy (Mrs Steve Jauron) of Sergeant Bluff and Jackie, student at St. Mary's College, Omaha; ten grandchildren and a number of brothers and sisters. Wake services were held at the Pauley Funeral Home at Harlan. A Mass of Christian Burial was held in St. Mary's church, Panama at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, March 8 with burial in St. Mary's cemetery.

ing: three sisters, Sr. Roselle Blum of Milwaukee, Wisc., Mary Ann (Mrs Joe) Willwerding of Earling and Delores (Mrs Jerome) Kaufman of Harlan; ten grandchildren, nieces, nephews and other relatives.

A Concelebrated Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Mary's Catholic church in Panama on Tuesday, March 8, 1983 with his brother Rev. Virgil Blum S.J. as celebrant and Rev. David Fenelon as Concelebrant.

Burial was in St. Mary's cemetery, Panama with Bob Schomer, Ray Feldman, Mike Mickels, Urban Leuschen, Don Leuschen and John Leuschen serving as casketbearers.

Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan was in charge of arrangements.