

# Richard Hartman, 23

**WALNUT** — Richard William Hartman, son of Glenn and Reta M. (Nichols) Hartman, was born Sept. 12, 1953 in Corning. He grew to manhood in Bedford and attended Bedford high school, moving to Atlantic in 1969. He married Dixie Anderson on Dec. 31, 1970 in Albany, Mo. They lived in Atlantic until 1973, when they moved to Walnut, where he worked with a construction firm. He died Tuesday, April 19, 1977 at his home in Walnut as a result of a self-inflicted gun shot wound, while his wife was working out of town and the children were at a neighbor's home.

Surviving are his widow, Dixie; one daughter - Brenda, 4 and one son, David, 8 months old; his parents, Mr and Mrs Glenn Hartman of Atlantic, four sisters, Mrs Sue Betts of Grandview, Mo.; Mrs Fred (Connie) Thompkins of Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs Elaine Luin of Atlantic and Wilma Jean Hartman of Omaha, Nebr.; one brother, Donald J. of Slater, one aunt and one uncle, and a number of nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his grandparents.

Funeral services were held Friday, April 22 at Roland Funeral Home in Atlantic, with Rev. Bruno Romanowski of Peace United Church of Christ in Walnut, officiating. Casketbearers were Dennis Holtz, LeRoy Nelson and Bill Thompson of Walnut, Paul Christensen, Lewis Gipple and Dan Andersen of Atlantic. Burial was in the Atlantic cemetery.