

1983
Leo F. Waltz, 82

Panama — Leo Francis Waltz, son of Lemuel and Mary Mickels Waltz was born Jan. 19, 1900 at New Hampton. He was baptized at the Catholic church in New Hampton and was confirmed and received his First Communion at the Catholic church in Canby, Minn.

He moved with his parents as a young child to Canby, Minn., where he attended country school and grew to adulthood. In 1925, he moved to Panama. On Sept. 24, 1929 he married Cecelia Goeser at St. Mary's Catholic church in Panama. Three children were born to this union.

He owned and operated a grocery business for 15 years and then entered employment at Stinn's Grocery Store in Panama until his retirement. He and his wife then continued to make their home in Panama. In May of 1982, he became a resident of Little Flower Haven nursing home in Earling. This has been his home since that time. He died at Myrtue Memorial hospital in Harlan on Tuesday, Jan. 18, 1983 at the age of 82 years, 11 months and 30 days.

He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic church in Panama and was also a member of the Knights of Columbus, Council No. 1741 of Earling.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one daughter, Geraldine; two brothers, John and Nicholas; and one sister Angela Coenen. He is survived by his wife Cecelia of Panama; two sons, Gerald of Portsmouth and Vincent of Kellog; two brothers, Jacob of Canby, Minn. and Andrew of Brainard, Minn.; three sisters, Gertrude (Mrs Joseph) Hoffman of Owatanna, Minn., Agnes Papineau of Morris, Minn. and Cecelia (Mrs Carl) Reisz of Panama; four grandchildren and one great-grandson; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

A Concelebrated Mass of Christian burial was celebrated at St. Mary's Catholic church in Panama on Friday, Jan. 21, 1983 with Rev. David Fenelon as celebrant and Rev. Fred Reischl, Rev. Robert Schoemann, Rev. Tom DeCarlo, Rev. Vincent Rosonke, Msgr. Michael Schwarte and Rev. Eugene Koch as concelebrants.

Burial was in St. Mary's cemetery with Paul Waltz, Tim Waltz, Joe Schmitz, Doug Schmitz, Stephen Reisz and Joe Michels serving as casketbearers.

Pauley Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.