

## **Alfonse J. Assmann, 83**

**EARLING** - Alfonse John Assmann, the son of Albert and Emma (Fahn) Assmann was born in Grove Twp. west of Earling, Oct. 30, 1905. He attended country school and St. Joseph's School in Dunlap. He was baptized, received his First Communion and was confirmed at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Dunlap. April 14, 1936, he married Elsie Marie Finken at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling. Four children were born to this union.

After their marriage, they farmed for a time near Earling before moving to Jefferson, where he farmed. After the death of Elsie in 1957, he continued to reside at Jefferson until 1965, when he moved into Carroll, where he operated the Derby Restaurant for one year. He then moved back to the Jefferson area where he sold feed until 1978. At that time he worked part-time at the Redwood Motel until Jan. of 1988. In May of 1988, he became a resident of the Little Flower Haven in Earling and this has been his home since that time. He died at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan, Nov. 27, 1988 at age 83 years and 28 days. He was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Jefferson and the Knights of Columbus, Jefferson Council No. 2030.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by a son, Larry; a sister, Eleanor; and three brothers, Carl, Joseph and Tony. He is survived by two sons, Ronald of Las Vegas, NV and Tom of Des Moines; one daughter, Rita Ann Standish of Corpus Christi, Tx; two grandchildren; one great-grandson; two sisters, Mary Burns of Pasadena, CA and Isabelle Stessman of Earling; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated Nov. 30, 1988 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Earling with Rev. Gerald Stessman officiating; Rev. Nelo Leto concelebrated assisted by Deacon Marvin Klein. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery, Earling with Norbert Assmann, Bernard Assmann, John Assmann, Michael Assmann, Mark Stessman and Leonard Kramer serving as casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.