



## Nickolas Bissen, 76

Aug. 13, 1915 — Aug. 20, 1991

**EARLING** — Nickolas John Bissen, son of Nicholas Bissen, Sr., and Clara Book Bissen, was born on a farm near Earling, Aug. 13, 1915. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling and attended St. Joseph's Catholic School. Feb. 12, 1942, he was inducted into the U.S. Army, serving his country during WW II. He was in Continental service for two years, and Foreign Service for a year and a half at northern France, Ardennes, Rhineland, and Central Europe. After receiving his Honorable Discharge Sept. 27, 1945, he returned to Earling to live, and helped on his parents farm. With the exception of military service, he was a lifetime Earling resident.

Feb. 15, 1955, he married Corrine Trierweiler at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Dow City. After their marriage, they farmed near Earling until Jan. of 1969, when they retired from farming and moved into Earling. This has been their home since that time. He died Aug. 20, 1991, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan, just seven days after his 76th birthday. He was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling; the American Legion, Post #615 of Earling, and the Shelby County V.F.W. Post 941 of Harlan. He was also active in various city and church organizations.

Proceeding him in death were his parents; one sister, Adella Stracke; two brothers, Sylvan and Joe Bissen. Surviving him is his wife, Corrine of Earling; his sons, Jim (Marg) Trierweiler of Denison; Dick (Diane) Trierweiler of Cheyenne, WY.; Don (Mary Ann) Trierweiler of Harlan and Phil (Donna) Trierweiler of Earling; one daughter, Betty (Mike) Wilcox of Blair, NE.; 13 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; seven sisters, Hilda Bauman of Buck Grove; Marie Bruck and Cyrilla Pauley of Earling; Evelyn Smith of Panama; Sr. Mary Helen of Glenview, IL.; Mildred Von Hagel of Rosenberg, TX.; and Theresa Behrendt of Defiance; one brother, Walter Bissen of Earling; many nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian burial was concelebrated Aug. 26, 1991, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling with Rev. Chuck Kottas, celebrant with Rev. Benedict Kenkel and Msgr. Michael W. Schwarte, concelebrating. Military rites were conducted at St. Joseph's cemetery by the American Legion, Post #615 of Earling and the Shelby County V.F.W., Post #941 of Harlan with Pat Trierweiler, Tom Trierweiler, Russ Trierweiler, Dave Trierweiler, Scott Trierweiler, and Kelly Trierweiler, casketbearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.