

Raymond J. Book, 85 ✓

HARLAN - Raymond John Book, son of Charles and Anna (Kohl) Book was born near Harlan on April 30, 1902. He died at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan on March 28, 1988 at age 85 years, 10 months and 28 days. He was baptized, received his First Communion and was confirmed at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan, and attended school in Harlan.

On Feb. 2, 1933, he married Sidonia Schmitz at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan. Three children were born to this union. After their marriage, they farmed north of Harlan until Dec. of 1978, when he retired from farming and they moved into Harlan. He was a lifetime member of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan and a member of the choir for many years.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by five brothers, Carl, Arthur, Walt, Leo and Oswald; and four sisters, Clara, Elizabeth, Mary and Helen. He is survived by his wife, Sidonia, of Harlan; one son, Raymond C. of Harlan; two daughters, Maxine (Mrs George) Schwery of Panama; and Emelie (Mrs Robert) Koster of Gretna, NE; 17 grandchildren, 5 great-grandchildren; one sister, Sidonia Buman of Harlan; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated March 30, 1988 at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Harlan, with Rev. David Polich as the celebrant. Burial was in Harlan cemetery with Bill Koster, Mary Koster, Phil Schwery, Nick Schwery, Dean Schwery, and Dennis Schwery serving as casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.