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## Edmund Belisle, 64

Nov. 23, 1938 - Jan. 2, 2003

HARLAN – Edmund Henry Belisle was born to Edmund Harry and Lyda Elizabeth (Bushee) Belisle Nov. 23, 1938, at Peekskill, NY. He was a member of the Yorktown Heights High School graduating class of 1957. He was a high school athletic all-star. Following high school, he worked as a chauffeur for a well known New York family.

In 1958, Ed married Annie Thompkin. Three children were born to the couple, Sharon, Richard and Deanna. Following their wedding, Ed operated a lawn service

with Annie's father. He then drove a truck for the Ken Tile Company.

In 1976, Ed met Nancy Piersall. The couple were married in Loveland, CO. Two children, David and Christine, were born to Nancy and Ed. Ed was first employed at Western Engineering and then at Kehn Construction.

Later, while an employee at Barker Construction Company, he met Lonna-Rae Johnston, and in 1992, the couple moved to Harlan. One child, Tannis, was born to Lonna-Rae and Ed. Initially, he worked for Omni Engineering and then as a truck driver for Jim's Wholesale Meats in Harlan. Following his heart attack in 1995, Ed became "Mr. Mom". Ed died Jan. 2, 2003, at St. Joseph Hospital in Omaha, NE, at age 64 years, one month and 10 days.

He was preceded in death by his parents and is survived by his domestic partner, Lonna-Rae Johnston of Harlan; children, Sharon Horan, Richard Belisle, Deanna Arcure, David Belisle, Christine Belisle and Tannis Belisle; eight grandchildren; stepchildren, Dayton Robinson of Lakewood, CO; Louan Robinson of Westphalia; Brad Robinson of Harlan and John Robinson of Harlan; half-sister, Louise Leadbetter;

half-brother, Roger Thomson; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Jan. 9, 2003, at Pauley Funeral Home with the Rev. Jon Benson officiating.