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IRWIN — James Norbert Flaherty, son of Timothy and Margaret (Owens) Flaherty, was born June 17, 1919, at Charter Oak. He died March 24, 1993, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan, at age 73 years, 9 months and 7 days. He was baptized and confirmed in the Charter Oak Catholic Church, and was a member of the church. He graduated from Irwin High School and grew to adulthood in the Irwin area. After school, he farmed in the Defiance and Irwin areas and was in trucking for 30 years. He retired in 1973.

He was preceded in death by his parents and 4 brothers, Gene, Lawrence, Howard, and Robert. Survivors are his fiancee, Patricia Murray of Irwin; 3 sons, Patrick of N.J.; Thomas of Omaha, NE.; Timothy of Lincoln, NE.; 1 daughter, Teresa Meikle of Las Vegas, NV.; 12 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild; 1 sister, Pauline Waggoner of Denver, CO.; 3 brothers, Bernard of Sierra Vista, AZ.; Timothy of Knoxville; and Francis of Davenport, and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated March 29, 1993, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan with Rev. Edward Kelly celebrant, assisted by Rev. Mr Pat Davitt. Military rites were conducted at the Harlan cemetery by the American Legion Post # 707 of Defiance, with Paul Rust, Urban Schneider, John Lally, Vigil Crouch and Robert Morris honorary casketbearers. Casketbearers were James Owens, Terry Hulsebus, Delbert Will, Warren J. Dixon, Glen Huey and Eldred Schmitz. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.