

## Lee W. Klindt, Sr., 75

*Oct. 1, 1925 - April 3, 2001*

**GRISWOLD** – Lee Wirth Klindt, Sr. was born Oct. 1, 1925, to Stella (Lee) and Carl P. Klindt on a farm in Monroe Township. He was baptized at the Altamont Baptist Church in Cuppy's Grove, and attended school in Harlan. He grew to adulthood on the farm and following high school farmed with his father. In addition to working his family's farming operation, he was employed as a hired hand for Alvin Rold, Delmar Lorenzen and other area farmers. In 1948, he rented a farm south of Corley later farming near Portsmouth and Elk Horn.

Feb. 21, 1950, Lee married Bernice Ann Sandbothe in Panama. To this union nine children were born. In 1952, the couple purchased a farm north of Avoca, where they farmed until Lee's retirement in 1991. The couple remained on the farm until moving to Griswold, in 1995. He was a member of the Future Farmers of America. He died April 3, 2001, at Jennie Edmundson Memorial Hospital at age 75 years, six months and two days.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sons, John and Carl, and grandchildren, Christopher, Lucas John and Kelsey. He is survived by his wife, Bernice Klindt of Griswold; his children, LaVern Klindt (Rochelle) of Sidney; Bernard Klindt (Maralee) of Oakland; Glen Klindt (Natalie) of Oakland; Lee Klindt, Jr. (Yvonne) of Denison; Mary Ann (Richard) Williams of Carson; Kenneth Klindt of Wiota and Donald Klindt (Shelley) of Atlantic; 21 grandchildren; one great grandchild; his sister and brothers, Muriel (William) McIntosh of Honey Creek; Max Klindt (Phyllis) of Avoca; David Klindt (Wilma Jean) of Avoca; Ralph Klindt (Alice) of Avoca; James Klindt (Marge) of Atlantic; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held April 6, 2001, at Altamont Baptist Church at Cuppy's Grove, with Rev. Dr. David W. Erickson officiating. Burial was in the Graceland Cemetery, Avoca, with Glen Klindt, Bernard Klindt, Donald Klindt, LaVern Klindt, Lee Klindt, Jr., Kenneth Klindt, Richard Williams and Daniel Klindt casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

