

## Gary A. Kloewer, 32

Sept. 1, 1966 - Oct. 18, 1998

**HARLAN** - Gary Allen Kloewer, son of Kenneth and Mary (Vandenberg) Kloewer, was born Sept. 1, 1966, in Harlan. The family moved to Atlantic in October of 1968, and then to the farm west of Kirkman in 1971, where he grew up. He was baptized, confirmed and attended St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan. He attended the Irwin-Kirkman School graduating with the class of 1985. In school he participated in football, shop and choir.

June 10, 1989, he married Amy Van Cleve at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Harlan. To this union three children were born, Rebecca, Brian and Elizabeth. The couple made their home near Harlan where Gary was employed at Firestone. Gary has been a member of the Harlan Fire Department since 1989.

Oct. 18, 1998, he died as a result of a motor vehicle accident at age 32 years, one month and 17 days.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Pete and Lizzie Kloewer. Survivors include his wife, Amy Kloewer, and his children, Rebecca, Brian and Elizabeth, all of Harlan; his parents, Kenneth and Mary Kloewer of Harlan; his sisters, Elizabeth (Trent) Doonan of Harlan; Miki (Doug) Valenta of Lincoln, NE; his brothers, James P. Kloewer (Joan) of Avoca; Gale Kloewer and Andrew Kloewer, both of Harlan; his maternal grandparents, Gale and Mildred Vandenberg of Harlan; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated Oct. 22, 1998, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan, with Rev. Howard Fitzgerald celebrant, Rev. Fred Reischl and Rev. Joseph L. Brown concelebrating, assisted by Rev. Mr. Pat Davitt. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery with the Harlan Fire Department serving as honorary casket bearers. Casket bearers were Andy Kloewer, Jim Kloewer, Gale Kloewer, Mike Kienast, Bruce Blum and Roger Bissen. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

