

Vincent Krantz, 83

Sept. 18, 1926 - Aug. 10, 2010

HARLAN — Vincent "Vince" William Krantz was born on September 18, 1926 to Joseph and Anna (Mages) Krantz on a farm west of Panama. He was baptized at St. Mary's of the Assumption Catholic Church in Panama and confirmed at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan. He attended school in Harlan and graduated with the Class of 1947. Vince loved to run and was captain of the track team while in high school. He worked at many jobs including Green Bay Lumberyard, the Airbase in Lincoln, NE, and for Morris Fredrickson in construction.

Vince was united in marriage on September 20, 1950 to Norma Theulen in Defiance. One daughter, Sherry, was born to this union. In 1953, Vince started working at the Harlan Newspaper as a printer's devil, pressman, advertising salesman, and finally as an ad manager. He reluctantly retired at age eighty only because of his vision loss. He loved working at the newspaper. He was a member of the Toastmasters Club, the Chamber of Commerce, and a past member of the Knights of Columbus. He was strong in his faith as a member of St. Michael's Parish and served on the parish council and as a lector. He was part of the Family of God Prayer Group that met in the chapel in his home since 1986. Vince was admitted to Myrtue Medical Center on August 6, 2010, and it was there that he died on Tuesday, August 10, 2010, having attained the age of eighty-three years, ten months, and twenty-three days.

Vince was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Norma, his brothers Walter and Urban, and sisters Viola, Ruth, and Violet. He is survived by his daughter Sherry Krantz of Harlan; his sisters: Elaine Jacobs of Northwood, Patty Henkelman of Oxford, Annamae Kramer of Harlan, and Cleo and her husband Merle Lawyer of Harlan, other family members and friends.

A 10:30 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated by Rev. John Frost and concelebrated by Pat Davitt at St. Michael's Catholic Church on Friday, August 13, 2010. Honorary casket bearers were Steve Mores, Terry Holdren, Larry Hull, Bill Theulen, Dick Joy, and Al Mores. Serving as casket bearers were R. J. Bielenberg, David Hansen, Steve Henkelman, Rex Buckley, Dan Garrison, and Joey Hansen. Interment was held at the Harlan Cemetery.



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