

Leo N. Langenfeld, 88 ✓

May 6, 1913 - Aug. 19, 2001

HARLAN – Leo Nicholas Langenfeld, son of George and Anna (Schmitz) Langenfeld, was born May 6, 1913, on a farm north of Earling. He was baptized at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling. In 1914, the family moved to a farm north of Westphalia. Leo received his First Holy Communion and was confirmed at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia. He graduated from St. Boniface Catholic School also in Westphalia. Upon graduation, he worked on the family farm. He served in the United States Army from August of 1942 until February of 1946. He was a member of the Westphalia Fire Department, a board member of Mutual Insurance of Westphalia, the Agricultural Stabilization Conservation Service of Lincoln and Westphalia Townships, the school board of Lincoln Township and the Westphalia Credit Union.



Feb. 9, 1955, he married Helen Wordekemper at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia. After their marriage, they resided on a farmstead south of Westphalia. In 1985, they moved to a farm two miles west of Harlan, until they moved in 1990 to Harlan. He died Aug. 19, 2001, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 88 years, three months and 13 days.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by four sisters, Irene (Ray) Domino, Alethea, Theresa Wageman and Lolly (Werner) Gross, and one brother, Edwin Langenfeld. He is survived by his wife, Helen of Harlan; his son, George Langenfeld (Julie) of Harlan; three grandchildren, Trevor, Tori and Cali, all of Harlan; his brothers and sisters, Ray Langenfeld (Marie) of Ute; Helen (Ben) Seimers of Dow City; Greg Langenfeld (Theresa) of Dunlap; Linus Langenfeld (Joie) of Dow City; Cieta (Carl) Pitts of Oskaloosa; Dee (Norman) Coenen of Woodward; brother-in-law, Elmer Wageman (Margaret) of Defiance; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated Aug. 22, 2001, at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia, with Rev. Jack McClure, C.P.P.S. celebrant and Rev. Michael G. Peters concelebrant. Burial was in St. Boniface Cemetery in Westphalia, with Dale Gross, Dean Wordekemper, Paul Pitts, Russ Coenen, Linda Bruck and Dick Gross casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.