



**ANTON PAUL
SCHABEN**

Anton Paul Schaben, 96

DEFIANCE - Anton Paul Schaben, the son of Adolf and Anna (Wilwerding) Schaben, was born Jan. 15, 1894 on a farm near Defiance. He died at Little Flower Haven in Earling, July 19, 1990, at age 96 years, six months and 4 days. He was baptized in St. Peter's Catholic Church in Defiance and confirmed at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Brookings, S.D. At age 5, he moved with his family to Brookings, S.D., where he attended school. At age 16, he and his family moved by train to a farm near Defiance. In 1915, he attended barber college in Omaha, barbering in Omaha, Westphalia and Earling. He also operated his father's steam engine for threshing as well as the light plant in

Defiance.

In 1919, he farmed in the Defiance and Earling areas. He then was a feed salesman for 22 years, owning and operating a feed store in Defiance. He also sold hail insurance and pop corn contracts. His community service included being on the school board for ten years and as its president for two terms.

Feb. 5, 1929, he married Edith Kobold at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling. Born to this union, were Bob, Tony Jr., Ruth Ann and Edwin. Edith died June 26, 1933 at age 27 years. He continued to live in Defiance. July 1, 1936, he married Lucille Catherine Morrisey of Omaha at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Omaha. Ten children were born to this union, Bernard, Paul, Mary Catherine, Mike, Dan, Mal, Sheila Marie, John Francis, Henry, and Rose.

In addition to his first wife, Edith, he was preceded in death by his twin children, Sheila Marie and John Francis; his parents; six brothers, Pete, Jake, Henry, John, William, and Clarence; and two sisters, Lena (Mrs Henry) Feser and Isabel (Mrs Pete) Fredrick.

He is survived by his wife, Lucille of Defiance and 12 children; Robert, Tony Jr., Ruth Ann (Robert) Weis all of Defiance; Edwin of Panama; Bernard of Omaha; Paul of Carroll; Mary Catherine (Marvin) Campbell of Denison; Mike of Defiance; Dan of Carroll; Mal of Redonda Beach, CA.; Henry of Cascade, MD.; and Rose (Richard) Ditter of Columbia, MO.; also by 60 grandchildren and 49 great-grandchildren; one sister, Susan Hermrick; many nieces, nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated July 23, 1990 at St. Peter's Catholic Church, Defiance. Burial was in Sts. Peter and Paul cemetery, Defiance.