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Nick Schechinger, 64

PORTSMOUTH - Nicholas Martin Schechinger, son Nicholas and Kathryn (Heller) Schechinger was born Dec. 5. 1925, at Panama. He died Sept. 9. 1990, at Mercy Hospital in Co. Bluffs, at age 64 years, nine months and four days. He was baptized at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Panama, and received his First Communion and was confirmed at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Portsmouth. He attended St. Mary's High School in Portsmouth, graduating in 1943.

July 23, 1945, he married Jean Schomer at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Panama. Four children were born to this union. After their marriage, they lived in Omaha, NE., for a short time before moving

back to Portsmouth, where he started the Red and White grocery store and Rocket bar, which he and his wife operated for several years in Portsmouth, Later, he became a partner in the ownership of the Chicken Hut and Evergreen Inn restaurants, both in Harlan, They celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary in July of this year. In addition to being a member of St. Mary's Catholic church Portsmouth. He was a member of the Portsmouth Volunteer Fire Dept., and the Earling Council No. 1741 Knights of Columbus.

Preceding him in death in addition to his parents were two brothers, Urban and Damian and three sisters, Marita, Carmelita, and Gemma. Surviving him is his wife, Jean of Portsmouth; three daughters, Julie (Mrs Dick) Bulkeley of Red Oak; Jolene (Mrs Lee) Graeve of Issaquah, WA., and Jill (Mrs Gregg) Yeutter of Omaha, NE.; one son, Jack (Margie) of Brookfield, W.; seven grandchildren; one sister, Kay (Mrs Ed) Rosenthal of Salem, OR.; one brother, Willard (Lillan) a sister-in-law, Marcella Schechinger, all of Co. Bluffs and a brother-in-law, Harry Sonderman of Portsmouth; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated Sept. 12, 1990, with Rev. Mike McLaughlin as the celebrant and Rev. Edward Kelly as the homilist. Concelebrating was Msgr. Michael W. Schwarte, assisted by Deacon Pat Davitt. Burial was in St. Mary's cemetery with John Wear, Don Heller, Ken Leinen, Tony Kaczor, Guyle Sonderman and Valentine Schechinger serving as casketbearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.