



## Harry Sonderman, 63

Aug. 2, 1932 - Jan. 21, 1996

**PORTSMOUTH** - Harold Francis "Harry" Sonderman, son of Joseph Francis and Kathryn Josephine Wageman Sonderman, was born Aug. 2, 1932 on a farm near Defiance. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Defiance. He attended St. Peter's Catholic School in Defiance graduating with the class of 1950. He farmed before entering the United States Army April 21, 1953. Upon his discharge April 9, 1955 he returned to Shelby County to farm near Portsmouth and work construction.

June 1, 1957 he married Gemma JoAnn Schechinger at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Portsmouth. To this union three children were born, Gaylene, Gaylen and Guyle. After Gemma's death March 13, 1979 at Harlan, he continued to make his home on the farm. He was a member of Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Portsmouth and a past member of John Ohlinger American Legion, Post No. 547.

July 11, 1987 he married Marilyn Lickteig at Harlan and they made their home on the farm near Portsmouth. He died Jan. 21, 1996

in Omaha at age 63 years, five months and 19 days.

In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by his father and infant son, Gaylen. Surviving are his wife, Marilyn of Portsmouth; his mother, Kathryn Sonderman of Harlan; his daughter, Gaylene (Gaige) Petersen of Harlan; his son, Guyle Sonderman (Julie) of Portsmouth; step-children, Cindy Gaffney (Jerry) of Waterloo; Doug Lickteig (Chris) of Hanlontown; Scott Lickteig (Denise) of Auburn, NE and Kristi Simmerman (Kenny) of Waterloo; four grandchildren; six step grandchildren; his brothers and sisters, Marcy Powers (Earl) of Defiance; James Sonderman of Harlan; Pearl Schulte (Harold) of Westphalia; Mildred (Micky) Kloewer (Don) of Defiance; Alice Kloewer (Richard) of Englewood, CO; George Sonderman (Diane) of Defiance; Leo Sonderman (Lois) of Defiance; Jane Tremel (Gerald) of Dunlap; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated Jan. 23, 1996 at St. Mary Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Portsmouth with Rev. Paul Bianchi celebrating and Rev. Thomas Crowley, Rev. Eugene Klein, Rev. Howard Fitzgerald, and Rev. Robert Schoemann concelebrating. Military rites were conducted in St. Mary's Cemetery in Portsmouth by John Ohlinger American Legion, Post No. 547. Casket bearers were Tom Powers, Troy Sonderman, Dan Schulte, Dennis Kloewer, Jeff Sonderman, Todd Tremel and Ron Kloewer. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.