

## Roman Zimmerman, 93 ✓

*Sept. 9, 1912 - Oct. 6, 2005*

**OAKLAND** — Roman Joseph Zimmerman, son of Emil and Josephine (Posch) Zimmerman, was born Sept. 9, 1912, in Westphalia. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia. He attended St. Boniface Catholic School in Westphalia. After school, he joined his father on the family farm.

Feb. 17, 1942, Roman married Patricia Sullivan at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Panama. Six sons were born to this union. After their marriage, the couple farmed west of Harlan until 1955, when they relocated to a farm near Manilla. Patricia died June 3, 1974.

Nov. 5, 1975, Roman married Catherine Fromm at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Manilla. After their marriage, the couple made their home on a farm near Oakland. Catherine died May 2, 1994. He was a member of Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church in Griswold. He died Oct. 6, 2005, at his home in Oakland at age 93 years and 27 days.

In addition to his parents and Patricia and Catherine, Roman was preceded in death by his sons, Melvin and Mark and brothers, Aloysius and Jack. Survivors include his children, Joseph Zimmerman (Martha) of Tulsa, OK; James Zimmerman of Olathe, KS; Elmer Zimmerman (Belinda) of Los Angeles, CA; Gerald Zimmerman (Cindy) of Aurora, CO; three grandchildren, Joshua, Michael and Steven Zimmerman; his brothers and sisters, Barney Zimmerman (Valerie) of Westphalia; Father Tony Zimmerman of Nogaya, Japan; Betty (Vern) Gaul of Earling; Lawrence Zimmerman (Theresa) of New Richmond, WI; Ann (John) Gaul of Omaha, NE; Sister Irene Zimmerman of Milwaukee, WI; and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated Oct. 12, 2005, at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Westphalia, with Father Dean Nimerichter celebrant and Rev. John Dorton concelebrant. Burial was in St. Boniface Cemetery in Westphalia, with Russell Liddell, Richard Cody, Ronald Young, Michael Zimmerman, John Zimmerman, and Joshua Zimmerman casket bearers. Pauley Jones Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

