

THE LIFE STORY OF -

John J. Leinen, 91

John Jacob Leinen, son of Mathias and Anna Hammes Leinen, was born July 26, 1892, on a farm near Portsmouth. He was baptized, received his First Communion and confirmed at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Portsmouth.

He attended country school and grew to adulthod while helping on the family farm.

After school, John continued to farm until his induction into the U.S. Army on July 26, 1918. He served his country in France during World War I in Company G of the Third Cavalry. After his Honorable Discharge on July 7, 1919, he returned to Portsmouth, where he continued to farm. After farming for 33 years, he retired, but continued to live on the farm until Aug. of 1982, when he became a resident of the Baptist Memorial Home in Harlan. This has been his home since that time. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic church and John Ohlinger Post No. 547 of the American Legion both of Portsmouth. He also coached American Legion Baseball for many years in Portsmouth. He died at the Baptist Memorial Home in Harlan on Jan. 25, 1984, at the age of 91 years, 5 months and 30 days.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by four brothers, Michael, Peter in infancy, Peter F., and Matt and six sisters, Mary, Anne, Margaret, Barbara, Susan and Lena. He is survived by one brother Albert Leinen of Portsmouth; nieces and nephews and

other relatives.

A Concelebrated Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Saturday, Jan. 28, 1984 at St. Mary's Catholic church in Portsmouth with Msgr. Michael W. Schwarte as the celebrant and Rev. David Polich as the concelebrant. Burial was in the St. Mary's cemetery, Portsmouth with Phil Gau, Bob Grote, Don Leinen, Mike Bruck, James Slaven and Richard Sondag as pallbearers. Military rites were conducted by John Ohlinger Post No. 547 of the American Legion of Portsmouth.

Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan was in charge of arrangements.