

Fred W. Russmann, 69

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Russmann, son of Fred and Mary Ada Scott Russmann, was born near Avoca on Aug. 1, 1908 and died Feb. 1, 1978 in Cass County Memorial hospital in Atlantic at age 69 years, 4 months and 20 days. He married Bertha Dethleff of Avoca on Dec. 26, 1930 and they farmed near Avoca for six years. Then they moved to the Defiance area for nine years, and in 1945 moved northeast of Walnut. In 1948 they bought the farm north of Walnut and he farmed and drove a truck for a meat company.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, and a son Laverne, in 1977. Survivors include his wife - Bertha, a son Loren of Walnut; four brothers - Paul of Walnut; Dean of Cedar Rapids; Glen of Omaha and Lawrence of Arion; a sister - Mrs Delmar (Margaret) Rath of Denison; a grandchild - Mrs Gerald (Terri Jo) Reid of Co. Bluffs and a great grandchild.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Feb. 4, 1978 in Berthusen-Knutson Funeral Home in Avoca, with Pastor Harold Peterson of Trinity Lutheran church officiating. Burial was in Graceland cemetery in Avoca with Perry Kelley, Eugene Sornsen, Darrell Dreager, Gene Olsen, Ronald Sornsen and Wilbert Brown serving as casketbearers.
