



## Joseph Wright, 23

Harlan — Joseph Paul Wright, son of Glen and Cherie Pedersen Wright, was born in Co. Bluffs, on April 2, 1955. He moved to Harlan with his parents at the age of 7. He attended school and grew to adulthood in Harlan. After graduating from the Harlan Community high school in 1973 he worked at Handyman Lumber for a short time before enlisting in the Navy in March of 1974. He was stationed at Brunswick, Maine, and after serving for 2½ years, entered the U. S. Naval Reserve and has been a member since then. Joe worked for an electronics firm in Calif., for a couple years before returning to Harlan. He died at his home in Harlan on April 19, 1978, just 27 days after his 23rd birthday.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Regina and by his grandfathers. His survivors include his parents, Mr and Mrs Glen Wright of Harlan; a brother, Scott Wright of Harlan; three sisters - Cindy (Mrs Jim Blum) of Estherville, Susan Wright of Harlan and Elizabeth Wright, at home; by his maternal grandmother, Mrs Frances Pedersen of Avoca; his paternal grandmother, Mrs Hazel Wright of Mo. Valley; aunts and uncles and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan on Tuesday, May 2, 1978, with Pastor Clifford Nelson, pastor of the Immanuel Lutheran church in Harlan, officiating, assisted by Dale Moe, Intern. Burial was in the Grange cemetery, Pottawattamie county, with Lewis Clark, Allen Goeser, Mark Grimsley, Michael Larsen, Dennis Petersen and Kenneth Blackwell serving as casket-bearers.