

Robert J. Powers, 68

June 2, 1934 - Aug. 20, 2002

AVINGER, TX – Robert Joseph Powers was born June 2, 1934, to Louise (Katzer) and Thomas Powers at Portsmouth. He was baptized at St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church in Panama, and was a member of the Logan High School Graduating Class of 1952. After graduation, he worked as a contract painter which he continued to do following a move to California in 1964. After residing in California for 10 years, he then relocated to Persia, where, in addition to his contract painting, he drove a truck for local and cross country routes. He continued to drive a truck until officially retiring in 1997, after which he occasionally drove local routes. His planned retirement to Texas was just days from beginning before his death. Robert died Aug. 20, 2002, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 68 years, two months and nine days.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Dorothy Powers. He is survived by his friend, Connie Witt of Portsmouth; children, Robert Alan Powers of Carter Lake; Richard Powers of Daggett, CA; Ronald Powers, Sr. (Debbie) of Omaha, NE and Kimberly (Ernie) Coleman of Avinger, TX; stepdaughter, Linda Kay (Rick) Brandt of Omaha, NE; sisters and brothers, Deloris (Lynn) Denton of Council Bluffs; Harold Powers (Colleen) of Sidney, NE; Dean Powers (Eileen) of Templeton, CA and Linda (Ed) Price of Bullhead City, AZ; 10 grandchildren; one great grandchild; one step grandchild; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A prayer service was held Aug. 24, 2002, at St. Mary's Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Portsmouth, with the Rev. Paul Bianchi officiating. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery, Portsmouth, with Jim Sander, Dick McLaughlin, Bill Bruck, Bob Bradley, Ed Price and Lynn Denton casket bearers. Paulav Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

