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John Potter

John Hubbard Potter, Lawson, died early Tuesday, Feb. 10, 1981 when his automobile was struck by a train at a railroad crossing in Lawson. He was 34 years old.

Services for Mr. Potter were at 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13 at the Methodist Church in Otterville. The family received friends from 7 p.m. until 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12 at the Meisenheimer Funeral Home in Otterville. Interment was in IOOF Cemetery in Otterville. ✓

Mr. Potter was born May 16, 1946 in Otterville to Samuel Potter and Lela Chancey Potter. He was married Dec. 31, 1966 in Sedalia to Linda Thomas. He has lived in Lawson for 10 years and for the past seven years has been a driver for Midwest Redi-Mix Co. in Kansas City.

Mr. Potter was a member of the United Christian-Presbyterian Church in Lawson and a member of Teamster Local 541 in Kansas City.

He is survived by: his parents, Samuel and Lela Chancey Potter, Otterville; his wife, Linda Thomas Potter, of the home; two sons, John H. Potter II and Thomas Jason Potter, both of the home; three brothers, Steve Potter and Bill Potter, both of Otterville; and Gary Potter, Lawrence, Kans.; one sister, Caroline Ingram, Lincoln.

Hobart W. Ward

Hobart W. Ward, 83, of 614 East 11th, died at 12:30 a.m. Wednesday at Bothwell Hospital.

He was born Feb. 15, 1898, at Windsor, son of Job William and Celia Jane Breece Ward. On Feb. 27, 1921, at Sedalia, he married Florence M. Riley, who survives at the home.

Mr. Ward attended school in the state of Iowa, moving to Nebraska, then to Kansas City, Kan., and then to Otterville in 1945. He was a member of the Church of God.

Other survivors include two sons, Hobart William Ward Jr., Rockford, Ill.; Donald Eugene Ward, 815 West Third; two daughters, Mrs. Helena Walkley, Vandalia, Mo.; Mrs. Doris Bodine, Laddonia, Mo.; one brother, Charles Wells, Little Falls, Minn.; one sister, Mrs. Agnes Meyer, Otterville; 16 grandchildren, 31 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Friday at the church with the Rev. Flay Campbell officiating.

Pallbearers were Jimmy May, Don Ward Jr., George Beeson Jr., Bud Beeson, Bill Beeson, Jim Beeson and Wayne Sanders.

Burial was at the McGee Chapel Cemetery. ✓