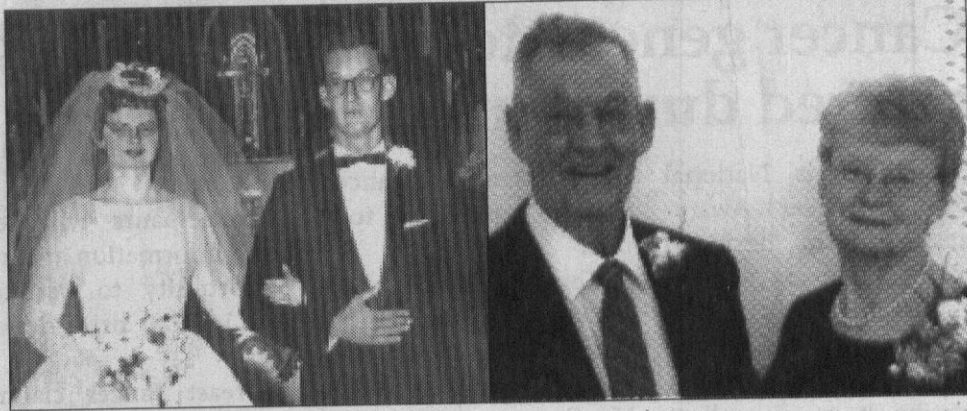


Golden anniversary shared



Bernard and Elfrieda Sanders of Fort Loramie will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Oct. 20.

Elfrieda is the daughter of the late Lawrence and Marcella Bertke. Bernard is the son of the late Lawrence and Bernadette Sanders.

The couple exchanged vows at 9 a.m. on Oct. 20, 1962, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Fort Loramie, with the Rev. Clarence Liebhold officiating.

A wedding reception was held at Kemper's Hall in Minster.

Witnesses included Doris (Sanders) Gigandet, sister of the bridegroom and matron of honor; Edward Gigandet, best man; Elaine (Bertke) Moorman, sister of the bride; Marilyn (Sanders) Huwer, sister of the bridegroom; Margene (Frilling) Opperman, friend of the couple; Jerome Bertke and Donald Bertke, brothers of the bride; Larry Sanders, brother of the bridegroom.

Bernard and Elfrieda are the parents of Kevin Sanders of Fort Loramie, Kathy and Karl Ehemann of Anna; Nick and Dawn Sanders of Lima, Annette and Rick Bollheimer of Fort Loramie, Jill Albers of Fort Loramie, Dianne and Craig Oldiges of Minster. They have 16 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

The couple enjoys playing cards, attending their grandchildren's activities and sporting events and church activities. They are members of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Fort Loramie.

Sisters and brothers of Elfrieda include: Jerry and Jane Bertke of St. Marys, Don and Rosie Bertke of McCartyville, Elaine and Jim Moorman of Chickasaw, Irene and John Huntzinger of Piqua, Roger and Sue Bertke of Fort Loramie, Lavern Berke of St. Marys, Dale and Lois Bertke of Anna.

Sisters and brothers of Bernard include: Clem and Mary Alice Sanders of Fort Loramie, Marilyn and the late Victor Huwer of North Star, Doris and Ed Gigandet of Fort Loramie, Larry Sanders of Fort Loramie, Betty Jo and Ennis Bruns of Cranberry.

Bernard retired from Minster Machine after 39 years of service. Elfrieda was employed by Copeland Corp. and Fort Loramie Schools.

A celebration will be held Oct. 21 at an 11 a.m. Mass at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Fort Loramie. A dinner for family and friends will be followed by an open house from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at St. Michael's Hall in Fort Loramie.

The couple resides at 151 A Liberty Way in Fort Loramie.