Mr. Fred Bartels, 87, of Genoa, died Monday in the Florence Nursing Home, Marengo. He was born August 19, 1897 in Elk Grove Township, the son of John and Anna Lichthardt Bartels. He had farmed in the Elk Grove and Marengo areas most of his life retiring in 1968. He was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church of Genoa and the Farm Bureau of Marengo. Surviving are a daughter Mrs. Edmund (Lorraine) Rowling of Genoa; 5 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren. Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Alma Rodewald Bartels on Nov. 2, 1969. They were married April 12, 1936. He also was preceded in death by a daughter, Darlene; a son Wilmer and a sister Ida Kruse. Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Trinity Lutheran Church, the Rev. Harold Schmidt officiating. Burial will be in Hampshire Center Cemetery.