

Gussie Albertus

PERSIA — Gussie Emil Albertus, was born on a farm northwest of Avoca on April 21, 1902, son of Gustavus Adulf and Anna Margaret Bickels Albertus. On Jan. 28, 1925 he married Bernice Soukop in Avoca. One child was born to this union. They farmed in the Shelby-Harlan area until 1948 when they moved to their present farm home near Persia. Guss died at his home Monday, Febr. 7, 1977 at age 74 years, after a long illness.

He was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers, Charles of Shelby, Fred of Walnut and Frank of Avoca; four sisters, Anna Schoening of Carson, Mathilda Albertus of Avoca, Mary Klindt of Walnut and Minnie, who died in infancy. Survivors include his wife - Bernice, one son - Gerald of Ralston, Nebr., five grandchildren - Diana Wellman of Neola; Gary of Persia; Dennis of Arlington, Tex.; Ellen and Judy of Ralston; one great grandson; one sister - Christine Ingwers of Avoca and one brother - Harry of Minn.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Febr. 10, 1977 at Schumacher Funeral home in Persia with Elder Harley Martens, officiating. Burial was in the Shelby cemetery with Dean Hawes, Albert Leonard, Earl Eckmann, Velman Dollen, Wendell Knauss and Lynn Grap serving as pallbearers.