

THE LIFE STORY OF —

RAY G. ANTHONY, 68

IRWIN — Ray Gerald

Anthony, son of Ephriam and Katie Hollander Anthony was born on a farm in Center twp., Shelby county, on July 21, 1907. He died at Myrtue Memorial hospital in Harlan, on May 3, 1976, at age 68 years, 9 months and 12 days. He attended country school in Center twp. and as a young boy, moved to Harlan, where he grew to Adulthood. On April 20, 1932, he married Hilda Christensen in Harlan. Two daughters were born to this union. After their marriage, Mr and Mrs Anthony farmed in the Harlan and Kirkman area. In 1938 they moved to Irwin. Mr Anthony served in the Army for 16 months during WW II. After receiving his honorable discharge in 1945, he returned to Irwin where he was employed by Shelby county for 18 years. He then worked at the Knudson Service Station in Irwin for 15 years. After retiring in 1972, he and Mrs Anthony continued to make their home in Irwin. Mr Anthony had been a long time member of the Irwin United Methodist church and was a past member of the Austin Earl Hiatt Post No. 614 American Legion in Irwin. He had been night marshall in Irwin and had served on the Irwin Volunteer Fire Department for 35 years. At the time of his death, he was an honorary Irwin Fireman.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two sisters, Laura Ferguson and Ora Klindt; two brothers, Walter and Van Anthony; and by three infant brothers. He is survived by his wife, Hilda, of Irwin, two daughters, Virginia (Mrs Louis Jensen, Jr.) of Harlan and Barbara (Mrs David Horney) of Avoca, five grandchildren, 3 great grandchildren, nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan on Wednesday, May 5, 1976, with Rev. J. Elmer Brunk, pastor of the Irwin United Methodist church, officiating.

Burial was in Oak Hill cemetery, Irwin, with Carl Lykke, Dick Powell, Chris Willadsen and James Wickersham serving as honorary casketbearers and Frank Birks, Gary Gardner, Myron Kington, Warren Hansen, Clifford Axland and Richard L. Larson serving as casketbearers. Military rites were conducted at the graveside by the Austin Earl Hiatt Post No. 614 American Legion of Irwin.