

Sheldon O. Christiansen, 77

Harlan — Sheldon Odell Christiansen, son of Andrew W. and Esther Tobias Christiansen, was born on a farm in Monroe twp., Shelby county, on June 28, 1902. He was baptized in the Altamont Baptist church in Cuppy's Grove. He attended the Center twp. No. 6 country school and grew to adulthood on his parent's farm. After completing his education, Sheldon farmed with his father.

On Sept. 1, 1927, he married Clela Rold at her parent's home in Harlan. Two children were born to this union. They farmed in Monroe twp. until retiring in 1974 and moving to Harlan. This has been their home since that time. They were privileged to celebrate their golden wedding anniversary in Sept. of 1977. Sheldon died at Myrtue Memorial hospital in Harlan, on Tuesday, Feb. 19, 1980, at age 77 years, 7 months and 21 days. He has been a life time member of the Altamont Baptist church at Cuppy's Grove.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a daughter, Rose Ann; and a son, Garth James. Survivors include his wife, Clela, of Harlan; a brother, Lynden Christiansen, of rural Harlan; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan, on Thursday, Feb. 21, 1980, with Rev. Arthur W. Andersen of the Altamont Baptist church, officiating. Burial was in Cuppy's Grove cemetery, Shelby county, with Chet Haase, Elmer Potter, Victor Curtis, Floyd Chambers, Leo M. Nielsen, and Verle Henriksen serving as casket-bearers.