

## The Life Story of --

### LLOYD GAER, 78

Kirkman — Lloyd Gaer, son of Phillip M. and Mary McCrary Gaer, was born July 11, 1897, on a farm in Polk twp., Shelby county. He died at Salem Lutheran Nursing Home in Elk Horn Feb. 6, 1976 at age of 78 years, 6 month and 25 days. Lloyd attended country school and grew to adulthood on his parent's farm. On July 22, 1919, he married Grace Comstock in Harlan. One son, Eugene Gaer, was born to this union. Mr and Mrs Gaer were privileged to celebrate their golden wedding anniversary in July of 1969. After their marriage, Mr and Mrs Gaer farmed in Polk twp. In addition to farming all his life on the same farm, Lloyd also worked for Shelby county as a heavy equipment operator for over 30 years, retiring in 1963. He was a lifetime member of the Redline Church of Christ, where he was baptized at an early age. He was currently serving on the Board of Directors of his church at the time of his death, a position he held for over 35 years.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three sisters - Mae, Mary and Anna and by two brothers - Leroy and Frank. He is survived by his wife, Grace, Kirkman, his son, Eugene and daughter-in-law, Marjorie, of Kirkman, two grandchildren - Sharon and her husband, Michael Morton of Newton, Kans. and Tom Gaer and his wife, Dianna of Ottumwa, where he is the minister of the Pick Wick Church of Christ and one great grandson, Greg Gaer, nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Monday, Feb. 9, 1976 at Redline Church of Christ, Kirkman with David Dvorak officiating. Burial was in the Redline cemetery, Kirkman with Dallas Dent, Warren Gaer, Max Thygesen, Harold Nyrup, Arthur J. Nielsen and Ernest L. Behrend serving as casketbearers.