

Bennie Hanson, 89

Irwin — Bennie Hanson, son of Andrew Cornelius Hanson and Ingeborg Rasmussen Norbie, was born on a farm in Polk twp., Shelby county, on Dec. 11, 1889. He died Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1978, at the Salem Lutheran Nursing Home in Elk Horn, at age 89 years and 15 days. Bennie was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith. He attended Danway school in Polk twp and grew to adulthood on his parent's farm.

On Dec. 13, 1911, he married Mina E. Heglin at her parent's home in Irwin. To this union three children were born. After their marriage, they farmed in Polk twp. until 1956 when they moved to Harlan. This was their home until Dec. of 1975 when they became residents of the Salem Lutheran Home in Elk Horn. After Mrs Hanson's death in March of 1976, Bennie continued to live at the nursing home.

In addition to his parents and his wife, Bennie was preceded in death by a daughter, Mildred Pedersen; an infant daughter, Ilo Mildred; two brothers - Reynard and Andrew; an infant sister, Rachel; a half-brother, Rasmus Norbie; and a half-sister, Carrie Johnson. He is survived by a son, Gilbert Hanson and his wife, Darlene of Kirkman; six grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; a sister, Isabelle (Mrs Martin Axland) of Elk Horn; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at St. Paul's Lutheran church in Irwin, on Friday, Dec. 29, 1978, with Pastor Emil C. Martinson and Pastor Raymon Pedersen, grandson of Mr Hanson, officiating. Burial was in Danway cemetery in Irwin, with Howard Wiig, Homer Hanson, Orlando Hanson, Norman Wiig, Merrill Axland and Clifford Axland serving as casketbearers.

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