

The Life Story of --

STERLING V. HARRIS, 72

Irwin — Sterling V. Harris, son of Edna and Chloe Jones Harris, was born Oct. 3, 1903, in Beaty, Ark. He died Dec. 24, 1975, at St. Thomas hospital in Nashville, at age 72 years, 2 months and 21 days. After his mother's death when he was ten years old, Sterling attended school and grew to adulthood in Elk City, Okla. He then worked on farms in the midwest. On Mar. 18, 1932 he married Berma Fiscus in Omaha, Nebr., and to this union four daughters were born. Last March they were privileged to celebrate their 43rd wedding anniversary. After their marriage, Mr and Mrs Harris farmed in Audubon county and Champaign, Ill., before returning to Shelby county, in 1936. It was in 1944 that Mr and Mrs Harris moved to their present home near Kirkman. Mr Harris was a member of the Redline Church of Christ for many years. He was currently serving his church as a deacon. Sterling became associated with the Pauley Home for Funerals in 1949 and over the years, became known as the Sexton for cemeteries in and around Shelby county.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one granddaughter, Suzette Walling. In addition to his wife Berma of Kirkman, he is survived by his four daughters - Wilma (Mrs Dale A. Sorensen) of Harlan, Elizabeth (Mrs Derald D. Walling) of Lubbock, Tex., Gladys (Mrs Donald Robinson) of Irwin and Alice (Mrs Jerry Nollen) of Arion and by his ten grandchildren; by one brother, Hugh O. Harris, of Waco, Tex., two sisters - Frankie Miller of Copan, Okla., and Aice Thompson of Independence, Kans., nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, Dec. 27, 1975 at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan with Dr. Derald D. Walling officiating. Burial was in Redline cemetery, Red Line, Iowa, with Don Sorensen, Jim Thygesen, Tom Thygesen, Bill Kauffman, Daryl Christensen and Douglass Daringer serving as casketbearers.