

Vernon W. Larsen, 67

Kimballton — Vernon W. Larsen, son of Lawrence and Lena Larsen, was born Feb. 16, 1912, on a farm south of Elk Horn. He grew up on the family farm near Elk Horn and was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran church. He graduated from Elk Horn high school in 1931.

He married Selma Jensen on July 28, 1939. This union was blessed with six children. Vernon was in the carpentry business in Audubon from 1938-1942. They lived on a farm between Elk Horn and Kimballton from 1944-1975, when they moved to Elk Horn. He died Wednesday, Nov. 14, 1979 at age 67 years.

He was a District Soil Commissioner for several years. He was active in the Audubon County 4-H program, served as club leader and a fair board member. He was an active member of the Immanuel Lutheran church, Kimballton and enjoyed serving as the chairman of the building committee and congregational president.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Manvel. Survivors include his wife, Selma, three sons: Richard of Ottumwa; Mark of Nevada; and Paul of Elk Horn; three daughters: Sonia of Ottumwa; Margaret of Ottumwa; and Lynette of Elk Horn; two brothers: Chris and LeRoy both of Audubon and five grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday, Nov. 16, 1979 at the Immanuel Lutheran church, Kimballton with Pastor George W. Gerber, officiating. Burial was in the Kimballton church cemetery, with Wilfred Jensen, Emery Hoegh, Leonard Steen, Leonard Johnson, Richard Nelson and Emmert Steen serving as casketbearers. Honorary bearers were Vernon Petersen, Clarence Hansen and Eddie Lauritsen.