

Henry Larson

Henry Larson, son of Soren and Karen Hunson Larson, was born on a farm in Monroe Twp. in Shelby county, on Mar. 2, 1887. He died at the Baptist Memorial Home in Harlan, on Sept. 19, 1976, at age of 89 years, 6 months and 17 days. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran church. As a small boy he moved with his parents to a farm in Center two. He attended country school and grew to adulthood on his parent's farm. On March 11, 1915, he married Josephine Myra Gibbs at Harlan. Three children were born to this union. After their marriage, Mr and Mrs Larson farmed in Center twp. until 1947 when they moved into Harlan. Henry worked for the Pioneer Seed Corn Co. for 20 years before retiring at the age of 85. After Mrs. Larson's death in 1970 he continued to make his home in Harlan. He became a resident of the Baptist Memorial Home in July of 1974 and this has been his home since that time. He had served on the Shelby County Fair Board for many years.

In addition to his parents and his wife, he was preceded in death by a granddaughter; five brothers, Chris, Ankjer, Carl, Celius and Albert; and by one sister, Anna Maxwell. He is survived by two sons, Ray and Gene, both of Harlan; a daughter, Vera (Mrs Elmer Smith) of Goodell; seven grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan on Tuesday, Sept. 21, 1976, with Pastor Clifford H. Nelson, pastor of the Immanuel Lutheran church in Harlan officiating. Burial was in the Harlan cemetery, with Mr Larson's grandsons, Jay Smith, Kent Larson, Roger Larson, Merle Larson, Dennis Larson, and David Anderson serving as casketbearers.