

Peter W. Madson, 92

Harlan — Peter Wilton Madson, son of Peter and Hannah Sorensen Madson, was born on a farm in Fairview twp., Shelby county, on March 29, 1888. He attended a rural school, and worked on the farm. He then went to a business school, Capital City Commercial College, in Des Moines. Following school, he moved to Mont., where he did construction work. Then he returned to Fairview twp. to farm.

On Jan. 4, 1912, he married Lona Jensen at her family home in Racine, Wisc. Five children were born to this union, all of them being born on the same farm. They continued to live and work on the farm for 35 years. They then moved to Harlan and he became a partner with his son-in-law, Jerome Dunn, in the Harlan Pasturizing Co., until he retired. He became a resident of the Baptist Memorial Home in 1976.

As a youngman, Mr Madson became a member of the Altamont Baptist church. Mr Madson died at the Baptist Memorial Home in Harlan, on Tuesday, July 15, 1980, at age 92 years, three months, and 16 days.

In addition to his parents and his wife, he was preceded in death by one son, Paul; one great-grandson, Todd Custer; one brother, Martin Nielsen; and two sisters - Effie and Leah. Survivors include three daughters - Virginia (Mrs Wm.) Broughton of West Union, Jeanette (Mrs Jerome) Dunn of Harlan, and Marjorie (Mrs Ival) Custer of Harlan; one son - Philip W. Madson of Harlan; 13 grandchildren; and 27 great-grandchildren; by one brother, Walter Nielsen of Avoca; one sister Alice Madson of Harlan; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan, on Friday, July 8, 1980, with Pastor Roger Porter, pastor of the Altamont Baptist church, officiating. Burial was in the Cuppy's Grove cemetery, Shelby county, with Jay Dunn, Alan Dunn, Tom Custer, Larry Madson, Philip Madson, and Charles Broughton serving as casketbearers.
