

# George Petersen, 78

Elk Horn — George Petersen, son of Hans and Anna Hansen Petersen, was born April 22, 1899 in Elk Horn. He attended Clay twp. No. 5 school. On May 26, 1920 he married Esther Dahl in Elk Horn. This union was blessed with four children. He spent most of his life farming on the farm where he was raised. He was baptized in the Lutheran faith and was a life time member and was active in the church. In 1959 they retired to Elk Horn, where George was employed at the Salem Home. He was secretary for the Clay twp. schools for many years and later served as secretary for the Elk Horn-Kimballton schools. He also served as an insurance representative for the Danish Mutual Insurance Assn. He died at Myrtue Memorial hospital on Monday, Oct. 17, 1977 at age 78 years, 5 months and 25 days.

He was preceded in death by his wife in 1973, five brothers and three sisters. Survivors include four children - Gordon Petersen of Co. Bluffs, Philip Petersen of Albuquerque, N.M., Irene (Mrs Raymond) Nissen of Cedar Falls and Norma (Mrs Merlyn) Molgaard of Elk Horn, a brother - Hans Petersen of Elk Horn, a sister, Rose Petersen of Exira, 13 grandchildren two great granddaughters and nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Oct. 20, 1977 at the Elk Horn Lutheran church with Pastor J. H. Thomsen, officiating. Burial was in the Elk Horn cemetery with Edwin Hansen, Carl Bonnesen, Clarence Klein, Norman Leistad, Howard Hansen and Chris L. Christensen serving as casketbearers.