

George Petersen, 78

ELK HORN — George Petersen, son of Anna Hansen and Hans Petersen was born April 22, 1899 in Elk Horn. He died Oct. 17, 1977 at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 78 years, 5 months and 25 days. He was educated in Clay twp. school No. 5 and spent most of his life farming on the same farm where he was raised. On May 26, 1920 he married Esther L. Dahl in Elk Horn and to this union four children were born. After their retirement to Elk Horn in 1959, he had been employed with the Salem Lutheran Homes. He had been very active in the Elk Horn Lutheran church, the same church he was baptised and confirmed in and a life time member of. He has been secretary many years for the Clay twp. schools and later the Elk Horn-Kimballton school board. He also had been an insurance representative for the Danish Mutual Insurance Assn.

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

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