

Vernon Reich, 64

Vernon Reich was born Feb. 3, 1917 south of Elk Horn in Shelby county. He was one of three children born to Pete and Mattie Justesen Reich. He died Monday, June 22, 1981 at St. Joseph's hospital, Omaha, at age 64.

Vernon was baptized and confirmed in the Elk Horn Lutheran church. He was in the military service four years during World War II. After the service he farmed and then went to work for the Union Pacific Railroad retiring in 1974. He then lived in Elk Horn from 1974-1981. In Oct., 1980 he moved to the Salem Retirement Home.

Survivors include his mother, Mattie Reich of Elk Horn and two sisters, Nadine (Mrs John) Janss of Neosha, Mo., and Ardis (Mrs Lewis) Vale of Boone and three nephews.

Funeral services were held Thursday, June 25 at the Elk Horn Lutheran Church, with Pastor Eugene Soland officiating. Burial was in the Elk Horn Lutheran cemetery with Freddie Matties, Darrel Petersen, Folmer Reich, Norman Juelsgaard, Vernon Petersen and Freddie Reich serving as pallbearers.