

Arlo Merl Andersen, 88

July 9, 1908 - April 14, 1997

ELK HORN - Arlo Merl Andersen was born July 9, 1908, to Chris Merl and Dora Backsen Andersen in Shelby County. He died April 14, 1997, at Salem Lutheran Nursing Home in Elk Horn at age 88. He grew up and attended school in Shelby County.

Feb. 8, 1933, he married Elvera Elizabeth Petersen. To this union four children were born: Marvin, Lyle, Ivan and Eileen. He was a farmer and had lived his entire lifetime in Shelby County. He was a member of the Elk Horn Lutheran Church, served as a school director and had been a 4-H leader.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife; three brothers, Earl, Leo and Avery, and two sisters, Ramona Rold and Annabel Petersen. He is survived by his sons, Marvin Andersen (Connie) of Atlantic; Lyle Andersen (Linda) of Marne and Ivan Andersen (Marjorie) of Audubon; one daughter, Eileen Aiff (Douglas) of Walnut; a sister, Orvetta Saltmarsh of Tulsa, OK; brothers-in-law, Donald Rold of Atlantic; Arnold K. Petersen of Elk Horn and Chris Andersen of Atlantic; 13 grandchildren, Tammy Minssen (Rod); Christy Dvorak (John); Annette Gude (Paul); Eugene Andersen (Rhonda); Lori Hepler (Michael); Bryan Andersen; Tracie Hines (Ed); Kimbberely Andersen; Jason Andersen; Steven Andersen (Stacia); Sara Andersen; Tina Cartier and Tonya Aiff; nine great grandchildren, Nicholas and Heather Minssen, Amber and Joshua Dvorak, Jeffrey and Amanda Gude, Wyatt Andersen, Michaela Hepler and Alexandria Cartier and other relatives.

Funeral services were held April 17, 1997, at the Elk Horn Lutheran Church with Rev. Michael Williams officiating. Burial was in the Elk Horn Lutheran Cemetery. Casket bearers were Ed Hines, Rod Minssen, Michael Hepler, Jason Andersen, Steven Andersen, Paul Gude, John Dvorak, Bryan Andersen and Eugene Andersen. Steen Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.