

Roy Andersen, 92

Oct. 10, 1907 - Sept. 6, 2000

HARLAN - Roy "Bud" Andersen, son of Andrew and Emma (Johansen) Andersen, was born Oct. 10, 1907, a half mile east of Jacksonville, in Jackson Township. He attended Jackson #5 school. July 1, 1916, he was baptized and confirmed at home by Rev. Swanson.

Jan. 5, 1927, he married Carrie Elizabeth Jensen at the Immanuel Lutheran Parsonage in Harlan. They farmed in the Redline area until Carrie's death, July 8, 1943. In 1944, he purchased a farm at Rorbeck, where he farmed and raised his children.

Roy married Elvina Christensen Hansen March 4, 1954, at the Lutheran Church in Avoca. They continued to farm until November of 1964, when they retired to their home in Harlan. In 1964, he purchased the Andersen family farm, a half-mile east of Jacksonville, where he and his son farmed until 1998, when he rented it out. Elvina died Oct. 7, 1988. He was a lifelong member of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Jacksonville. He served as school director in Polk Township #5 School. He took great pride in his 1939 Farmall H tractor and his hybrids hogs, receiving Champion Pork Producer awards in 1957-58-59-60. He became a resident of Salem Lutheran Homes in Elk Horn in 1997. He died Sept. 6, 2000, at the Salem Home at age 92 years, 10 months and 27 days.

Preceding him in death were his parents; his wives, Carrie and Elvina; his daughter, Verlee Andersen; stepson, Norman Hansen; five brothers, Arthur, Peter, Mathies, Frank and Elmer Andersen; four sisters, Dora Copeland, Mata Littleton, Anna Esbeck and Myrtle Croft. Survivors include one son, Lynn (Mary Lou) Andersen, Jacksonville; two daughters, Marilyn Bennett of Atlantic and Kay (Gene) Elmquist of Mapleton; one son-in-law, Dale Andersen of Exira; six stepchildren, Lavina (Sonny) Wels, Harold (Mary) Hansen, Henrietta Greve Henningsen, Ardelle Andersen, Merie (Ardelle) Hansen, Don (Luella) Hansen; one step daughter-in-law, Hazel Hansen; two brothers, Earl (Leota) Andersen and LaVern "Buster" Andersen, both of Harlan; one sister, Arlene Adams of Kirkman; four sisters-in-law, Wilma Andersen of Harlan, Elna Andersen and Evelyn Jensen, both of Elk Horn and Beulah Jensen of Atlantic; 12 grandchildren; 25 great grandchildren; two great great grandchildren; several step grandchildren and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Sept. 8, 2000, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Jacksonville, with Pastor Henry Flessner and Pastor Mary Lunde officiating. Casket bearers were his grandchildren, Mary Jane Gregersen, Lois Baier, Allan Andersen, Carol Schlake, John Andersen, Nancy Watts, Angie Garrett, Karla Andersen, Matt Andersen, Todd Elmquist, Toni Elmquist and Shari Erlemeier. Burial was in the Jacksonville Cemetery. Burmeister-Johansen Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

