

## **Arden Best, 80**

**March 22, 1912 — Aug. 25, 1992**

**SHELBY** — Arden Dale "Sam" Best, son of Charlie E. and Julia (Coker) Best was born March 22, 1912, on a farm near Shelby. He grew up on the farm and attended country school and the Shelby Consolidated School.

March 26, 1931, he married Leone Hillers at Co. Bluffs. After their marriage they farmed near Shelby for years, before moving to Persia in 1960, where he worked for Walt Kuster and the Town of Persia. They moved to Beebeetown in 1973, where they both worked for the Tri-Center Schools until retiring in 1981. They then moved to Shelby. He was a member of the United Methodist Church in Shelby. In April of this year, he became a resident of the Manning Plaza. He died Aug. 25, 1992, at age 80 years, 5 months and 3 days.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Donald E. Best and Kenneth M. Best and one grandson, Andrew Thom. He is survived by his wife, Leone and five children, Lois (Lloyd) Sick of Harlan; Betty (Doug) Kiesel of Shelby; Lyle Best (Jane) of Fountain Valley, CA.; Judy (Bob) Thom of Chesterfield, MO.; Janet (Robert) Meier of Irwin; 9 grandchildren; 4 step-grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; 3 step-great-grandchildren; 1 sister, Hazel Langer of Prairie Village, KS.; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Aug. 28, 1992, at the Knutson Funeral Chapel with Pastor Stan Nielsen, officiating. Burial was in the Shelby cemetery. Casketbearers were Lloyd Sick, Wendell Knauss, Bernard Stinn, Robert Meier, Doug Kiesel, and Bob Thom. Knutson Funeral home in charge of arrangements.