

Harold Edward Boysen, 88

Feb. 17, 1908 - March 5, 1996

HARLAN - Harold Edward Boysen, son of Andrew and Christine (Schack) Boysen, was born Feb. 17, 1908 in Harlan. He was raised in Harlan and graduated from Harlan High School. He went on to attend the University of Iowa in Iowa City and the Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, OH.

He married Martha Ann Hitchcock Oct. 2, 1937 in Beaman. The couple lived in Harlan where he worked as manager of the Harlan Lumber Yard. She died Aug. 15, 1981 in Harlan and in 1982 he moved to Portland, OR. In 1989, he moved to Atlanta, GA. In Jan. 1996 he returned to Harlan and became a resident of the Baptist Memorial Home. He was a former member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Harlan where he was an active choir member. He served on the Shelby County Fair Board, the Harlan City Council and was a member of the Harlan Country Club. He was a 50-year Mason with the Parian Lodge #321 AF & AM. He died March 5, 1996 at Myrtle Memorial Hospital at age 88 years and 17 days.

Preceding him in death were his parents; his wife, Martha; one brother, Alfred Boysen; and one sister, Aasta Swift. Survivors include two sons, Dr. Allen E. (Deanna) Boysen of Springfield, VA and Andrew A. (Lynne) Boysen of Cedar Rapids; one daughter, Ann (Michael J.) Hart of Marietta, GA; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren and other relatives.

A Masonic memorial service was held March 8, 1996 at Burmeister Funeral Home in Harlan with Bob Christensen of the Parsian Lodge #321 AF & AM officiating. Inurnment was in the Harlan Cemetery. Burmeister Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.