

Chris M. Christensen, 81

MANILLA - Chris, son of Nels E. and Martine Nelson Christensen, was born June 17, 1907 on a farm near Astor. He attended country schools and one year of high school in Manilla.

He began farming his home farm and lived there for most of his life. Oct. 24, 1937 he married Bernadine Schwieso. Two children were born to this union. In 1976 he and his wife moved to Manilla. He had been in failing health and had been a resident of the Manilla Manor since mid summer 1988. He died there Nov. 10, 1988 at age 81 years, 4 months and 24 days.

He was preceded in death by his parents; four sisters, Marie Wigg, Clara Krogh, Nettie Hanson and Hannah Means and one brother, Arthur Christensen. He is survived by his wife, Bernadine of Manilla; a son, Ronald Christensen of Manilla; a daughter, Barbara (Mrs Rex) Waller of Springfield, IL; four grandchildren; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Nov. 14 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Irwin with Rev. Douglas L. Mathison officiating. Burial was in Nishnabotna cemetery, Manilla with Edward Wigg, Ralph Petersen, Keith Schwieso, Jim Christensen, Roger Schwieso and Robert Steckelberg serving as casket bearers. Ohde Funeral Home, Manilla was in charge of arrangements.