

Christian Christensen, 83 ✓

HARLAN - Christian Walter Christensen, son of Anton and Oline Jensen Christensen was born Oct. 23, 1906, at Guldager, Denmark. His family immigrated to the U.S. when he was seven years old and settled near Avoca.

Dec. 27, 1931, he married Esther Obrecht at her parents home near Harlan and was honored to celebrate 58 years of marriage. He chose farming as a way of life and he bought a farm near Tennant and lived there for 36 years. They farmed until his health failed and upon his retirement, they moved to Harlan in 1975. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Harlan. He died March 19, 1990, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan at age 83 years, 4 months and 26 days.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Alfred and one in Denmark; two sisters, Marie Olsen and Minnie Sondergard; one daughter, Marilyn in infancy; one son, Eugene in infancy; one grandson, Dean in 1981 and son-in-law, James Wilkerson in 1972. Survivors include his wife, Esther of Harlan; two sons, Jerry of Treynor and David of Phoenix, AZ.; two daughters, Jeanette Wilkerson of Exira and Judy (Larry) Gillam of DeSoto, MO. He is also survived by 10 grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren and other relatives.

Funeral services were held March 22, 1990 at the First United Methodist Church in Harlan with Rev. Steve Clinton, officiating. Burial was in the Harlan cemetery with David Wilkerson, Steve Christensen, Jeff Wilkerson, Robert Gillam, Greg Christensen and Gary Kenkel as casketbearers. Arrangements by Burmeister Funeral Home.