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Niels Elmer Christensen, 74

Dec. 22, 1916 - Aug. 12, 1991

ELK HORN – Niels Elmer Christensen was born Dec. 22, 1916 on a farm in Oakfield Twp., in Audubon county. His parents were Peter A. and Kirsten Marie Christensen. He was educated in the country schools and was baptized and confirmed in the Oak Hill Lutheran Church. After his schooling he engaged in farming and continued in that occupation until he retired.

June 15, 1941, he married Ruby Eline Cecelia Juelsgaard at the Elk Horn Lutheran Church. They farmed in the Roerbeck and Atlantic areas before moving to the Elk Horn area in 1959. They returned to a home in Elk Horn in 1986. He was a member of the Elk Horn Lutheran Church, Lodge #341 of the Danish Brotherhood in American and the Shelby County Farm Bureau. He also served on a planning board for construction of the Elk Horn High School in the 1950's. He died Aug. 12, 1991 at the Jennie Edmundson Memorial Hospital in Co. Bluffs, after a lengthy illness.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, James. He is survived by his widow, Ruby of Elk Horn; a daughter. Sherlyn Roberts of Westminster, CO.; two sons, Duane of Elk Horn and Gary of Omaha, NE.; two sisters, Mrs Don (Tena) Harder of rural Adair and Mrs Walter (Lillie) Sievers of rural Atlantic; a sister-in-law, Mrs Niels (Wilma) Juel of Audubon; nieces and nephews and numerous other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Aug. 15, 1991 at the Elk Horn Lutheran Church with Pastor Michael Williams, officiating. Casketbearers were Chuck Sievers, Jerry Harder, Larry Juelsgaard, Dave Juelsgaard, Bill Bearnon and Dan Heilig. Burial was in the Elk Horn cemetery.