

## **Earl E. Christensen, 80**

**Nov. 10, 1916 - March 2, 1997**

**KIMBALLTON** - Earl Edmond Christensen, son of Guy Edward and Meta Lorena Petersen Christensen, was born Nov. 10, 1916, on his parents' farm east of Kimballton and died March 2, 1997; at his home in Kimballton at age 80 years, three months and 20 days. He was baptized and confirmed at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Kimballton and attended school in Kimballton. He helped operate the family farm and drove a livestock truck for Bennie Elmquist.

Dec. 21, 1941, he married Doris Anna Nielsen at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Kimballton. They made their home with his parents, Guy Christensens, until moving into Kimballton Dec. 17, 1944. He drove a tank wagon for Farm Service for a short time and then worked for Layland Larsen Plumbing for awhile. He drove a delivery truck for Westergaard Produce and then Westergaard and Allen Produce for several years. He then was employed by Olsen Produce in Elk Horn. Earl and his brother, Robert, purchased Westergaard and Allen Produce, becoming the Christensen Produce which they operated together for several years. He sold his interest in the produce to his brother, then returned to work for Olsen Produce where he drove long distance hauling eggs to Army bases in Missouri and several other states. He drove truck until he was forced to retire due to his health in 1970. She died May 6, 1995. He has continued to remain in his home since then. He was a member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Kimballton and a member of the Lutheran Brotherhood. He was a 4-H leader for many years and was still a member of the Kimballton Fire Department.

Preceding him in death in addition to his wife, were his parents; his brothers, Emmert Christensen and Robert Christensen. Survivors include his children and their spouses, Eldon (LaDonna) Christensen of Denison and Irene (J. Allan) Hartley of Osceola, MO; four grandchildren; his sister-in-law, Florence Christensen of Elk Horn; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Jean Morse March 6, 1997 at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Kimballton. Burial was in the Elk Horn Lutheran Cemetery. Honorary casket bearers were Albert Andersen, William Christensen, Marvin Hansen and Norman Krogh. Casket bearers were Harvey Anderson, Lester Anderson, Burdette Christensen, Dale Christensen, Lyle Christensen and Lloyd Nelson. Kessler Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.