

Harvey Jacobsen, 87 ✓

Sept. 24, 1915 - Aug. 11, 2003

HARLAN – Harvey Valdemar Jacobsen, the son of Hans Peter and Anna Christiansen Jacobsen, was born Sept. 24, 1915, in Harlan. He attended Harlan Laurel School and Harlan High School. Harvey played the guitar and sang in a band that regularly played on KMA. In 1945, he enlisted in the United States Navy where he served as a Carpenter's Mate in the Great Lakes, IL.

Jan. 16, 1950, Harvey married Norma Jean Bamsey in Omaha, NE. After their marriage, they owned and operated the Wayside Inn in Corley and the Harmony Inn in Harlan for 25 years. Harvey also owned and operated rental properties for many years. Harvey died Aug. 11, 2003, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 87 years, 10 months and 17 days.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers and sister, Nels, John, Jacob, August, Harold, Helen Nielsen, Victor and Alfred. Survivors include his wife, Norma of Harlan; his daughter, Pat Ferry of Johnston; a sister-in-law, Anita McKee (Fred) of Harlan; two grandchildren, Greg Ferry (Gayle) of Ankeny; Cindy Reese of Des Moines; three great grandchildren, Beth and Allie Reese and Brett Ferry; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Graveside services were held Aug. 14, 2003, at the Harlan Cemetery with Rev. Donna Ewert officiating with Harold Blackwell, Dwain Boeck, Verle Doonan, F.M. Petersen, Richard Carl and Eddie Roos casket bearers. Military graveside rites were conducted by the American Legion Helmer Reyelt Post No. 150 of Harlan, and the Shelby County VFW Post No. 941 also of Harlan. Pauley Jones Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.