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## Lloyd Obrecht, 87

December 30, 1907-May 14,

## 1995

Harlan - Lloyd William Obrecht, the oldest son of Charles and Pearl (Daws) Obrecht was born Dec. 30, 1907 at the home of his grandfather, William Obrecht in Center Township, Shelby County. He died May 14, 1995 at the Manilla Manor Nursing Home at Manilla at age 87 years, four months and 14 days. He attended Center No. 5 rural school, and as a young man began farming.

June 25, 1933 he married Myrtle Petersen of Jacksonville, at the home of her parents. They became the parents of two children, LaVerne and Julienne. After their marriage, they farmed south of Jacksonville and in 1939 they purchased a farm east of Harlan. This was their home for the next 50 years. He became a resident of the Manilla Manor in Jan, of 1990 and has resided there since that time. He was a 72 year member of the First United Methodist Church in Harlan and was active in the Epworth League as a young man. He was a charter member of the Shelby County Historical Society and the Nishna Valley Genealogical Society. He loved his shorthorn cattle and was a past member of the Southwest Iowa Shorthorn Association and the Iowa State Shorthorn Association. He was a charter member of the 4-H when it began in Shelby County, and continued to be active in the program with his children and grandchildren. He always supported the Shelby County fair, and was inducted into its Hall of Fame.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one grandson, Robert Dale Obrecht and a brother Donald. He is survived by his wife



Myrtie Obrecht of Harlan; his children, LaVerne (Pam) Obrecht of Malvern, and Julienne (Richard) Ferry of Harlan; four grandchildren three great grandchildren, two sisters, Esther Christensen of Harlan and Nadine Greiner of Omaha and a sister-in-law, Helen Obrecht of Harlan; John Criss, who spent summers with the family and other relatives.

Funeral services were held May 16, 1995 at the First United Methodist Church in Harlan with Rev. Paul Wilcox officiating. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery with Paul A. Pauley, Richard Heilesen, Leonard Fiscus, Marvin Mikkelsen, Jerry Lapke and Richard McClure honorary casket bearers. Casket bearers were Brandt Ferry, LaVerne "Bud" Petersen, Adam Obrecht, Todd Richardson, Darren Obrecht and Charles Obrecht. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.