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## Everett Olsen, 84

**HANCOCK** – Everett Harold Olsen was born in Valley Township near Hancock, Feb. 8, 1905. He was the son of Henry and Edna Warner Olsen. He was one of seven children in the family. He attended country school and the Hancock High School. Following his schooling, he worked on farms in the Hancock area. He was very interested in sports, especially in basketball. As a young man, he played on the Hancock Town Basketball Team, called the Roamers. They played throughout the Midwest.

He married Velma LaMaster, Nov. 22, 1935 in Sergeant Bluff. For a time, they farmed and then moved to the Denver, CO. area. During WW II, they moved to San Diego, CA., where they worked in an aircraft factory. They returned to the Denver area and he owned and operated a shoe repair shop in Lakewood, CO. He retired in 1968 and they moved back to Hancock to make their home. The past several years they have spent the winters in Texas.

He died at Jennie Edmundson Hospital in Co. Bluffs on Dec. 23, 1989 at age 84 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents; three sisters, Esther Johnson, Dara Lockhart and Bernice Nelson; three brothers, Ivan Olsen, Ralph Olsen and John Olsen. He is survived by his wife, Velma of Hancock; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Services were held Dec. 26, 1989 at Knutson Funeral Home in Avoca. Rev. Douglas Cue was officiating. Burial was in Oak Hill cemetery, Hancock with Dr. Max Olsen, Gene Olsen, Gary LeMaster, Robert Johnson, Larry Olsen and Donald Reeves as casketbearers.