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## **Alfred M. Petersen, 89**

**Aug. 28, 1902 — July 21, 1992**

**AUDUBON** — Alfred M. Petersen, son of Soren P. and Karen Christoffersen Petersen, was born near Fiscus, and died at the Audubon County Memorial Hospital, at age 89 years, 10 months and 23 days. He was baptized and confirmed at the Ebenezer Lutheran Church, west of Audubon. He attended rural school "Douglas No. 4 Spring Valley" southeast of Fiscus. He then worked as a hired farmhand.

Jan. 19, 1927, he married Mabel E. Christensen at her parents' home in Poplar. They rented a farm west of Audubon for several years before purchasing their own farm west of Audubon. They operated the farm until they retired and moved into Audubon in 1965. He painted farm buildings for sev-

eral years and worked part time for Lindholm Stock Farms, then later made craft items. Mabel died Aug. 6, 1984. He maintained his own home until he became a resident of the Friendship Home in Audubon, July 7, 1992.

Preceding him in death in addition to his wife was his son, Levi Petersen; his daughter, Norma Miller; 3 grandchildren; 1 great-granddaughter; his parents; his brothers and sisters, Meta Loft, Hans Petersen, Andrew Petersen, Carl Petersen, Lawrence Petersen, Elvina Johansen and two infant brothers.

Survivors include his children and their spouses, Lillie (Glee) Huey, Arlene (Gordon) Nelson, Virgil (Delores) Petersen, Kenneth Petersen, Allen (Diane) Petersen, Larry (Diana) Petersen, all of Audubon; 22 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; 1 great-great-granddaughter; his brother, Chris K. Petersen of Audubon; his sisters, Alice Hansen of Elk Horn; Elnora Bryant of Jefferson; his son-in-law, Donald Miller of Fort Dodge; his daughter-in-law, Pat Esbeck of Elk Horn; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held July 23, 1992 at the Kessler Funeral Home with Pastor James, officiating. Burial was in the Maple Grove cemetery. Casketbearers were Grandsons: Gaylin Huey, Timothy Petersen, John Nelson, Gary Petersen, Rick Petersen and Jason Miller. Kessler Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.