

## Chris Petersen, 87

**HARLAN** - Chris Petersen, son of Nels and Marie Sorensen was born Jan. 1, 1901, at Kaas, Denmark. He was raised in Denmark and immigrated to America when he was 25 years old. He settled in the Irwin and Harlan areas doing farm work. He later went to Ames where he studied the dairy business. He worked with produces in Glenwood, Harlan and Audubon before his marriage to Sophie Hansen, March 23, 1947. He has lived south of Irwin for the past 40 years and was a member of the First Baptist Church in Elk Horn. He died Dec. 19, 1988 at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan at age 87 years, 11 months and 18 days.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brother, Martin and sister, Christine Petersen. Survivors include his wife, Sophie of Earling; daughter, Jean (Mrs Ned) Freestone of Adel; two sister-in-laws, Mabel Carlson of Audubon and Laura Hansen of Irwin and a brother-in-law, Louie Hansen of Denison; many nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Dec. 21, 1988 at the First Baptist Church in Elk Horn with Rev. Michael Marcum officiating. Burial was in the Merrill's Grove cemetery with Eugene Larsen, George Hansen, Merle Petersen, O.E. Holloway, Clifford Hanson and Alvin Armentrout serving as casket bearers. Services conducted by the Burmeister Funeral Home.