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Henry J. Plagmann, 94

HARLAN - Henry J. Plagmann, son of Joachim and Marie (Behrens) Plagmann was born on a farm in Lincoln Township, Shelby County, on August 28, 1893. He died at the Myrtue Memorial Hospital, Harlan, on July 20, 1988, at the age of 94 years, 10 months, and 22 days. He was baptized and confirmed at Trinity Lutheran Church in Avoca, attended country school, and grew to adulthood on the family farm. He then attended college in Harlan. On July 26, 1918, he entered the United States Army, serving his country in France during World War I. After his honorable discharge on June 12, 1919, he returned to Shelby County to resume farming.

He married Mamie Frank on April 7, 1929, in Manning. Two children were born to this union. After their marriage, they farmed in Lincoln Township until 1958, when they retired from farming and moved into Harlan. This had been their home since that time until October of 1987, when he became a resident of the Baptist Memorial Home. They were privileged to have celebrated their 59th wedding anniversary together in April of this year.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by an infant granddaughter, Judy Renee Plagmann, and one brother, Louis. Surviving him is his wife, Mamie of Harlan; a daughter, Twyla (Mrs Charles) Grabill of Harlan; a son, Orrin Plagmann of Harlan; four grandchildren; five great grandchildren, other relatives and many friends.

Funeral services were July 23, 1988, at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan with Pastor Paul R. Olsen of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Harlan officiating, assisted by Pastor Otto Zwanziger of Immanuel Lutheran Church. Burial was in Harlan Cemetery with Deane Blakely, Wayne A. Lytle, Dallas A. Havick, Douglas A. Henry, Edwin J. Plagman, and Vernon D. Schnack serving as casket bearers. Pauley Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.