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Amasa F. Pope, 55

AVOCA — Amasa (Hammer) Franklin Pope was born in Avoca on Nov. 3, 1932. He was the son of Merle Pope and his wife Mae Fish. He was one of seven children in the family. He attended school in Avoca.

He married Jo Ann Fowble on Aug. 31, 1959 at Co. Bluffs. They made their home in Avoca and he worked as a truck driver. He was working with the V.I.P. Trucklines when his health began to fall and he had to retire. They were the parents of six children. He was a veteran of the Korean War and was a member of the Fred Funston American Legion Post No. 227 in Avoca.

He died at Myrtue Memorial hospital in Harlan on Jan. 15,

1988 at age 55 years.

He was preceded in death by his father and one brother, Edward. He is survived by his wife, Jo Ann; their children, Kenny of Manilla; Vickie (Mrs Steve) Schueman of Avoca; Tammy Pope of Atlantic; Sally Nielsen of Avoca; Tawny (Mrs Tim) Turner of Portsmouth and Merle of Avoca; four grandchildren; his mother, Mae of Avoca; his brothers and sisters, Bill, Alice Schueman, Claude, Clarence and Shirley (Mrs Gary) Madden all living in Avoca, besides many nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were Jan. 18, 1988 at Berthusen-Knutson Funeral Home, Avoca with Rev. Robert Houser, officiating. Burial was in the Graceland cemetery, Avoca with Clarence Renfeld, Douglas Pauley Sr., Richard Petersen, LeRoy Osbahr, Michael Williams and Dennis Taylor serving as casket bearers.