

Roger C. Peterson, 58

April 4, 1941 - Dec. 15, 1999

HARLAN - Roger Clayton Peterson, son of Henry and Clarice (Weimer) Peterson, was born April 4, 1941, in Harlan. He attended Harlan High School, graduating in 1959. He grew to adulthood on the family farm southeast of Harlan.

He drove semis for Levi Swensen until his marriage to Barb Gardiner in 1961. They lived on the Hoskins sister's farm where he farmed. To this union three children were born, Susan, Kevin and Katy (who died in infancy). Roger and Barb were divorced in 1965.

In 1966, he married Carolyn Zimmerman. To this union one son, Roger Dean, was born. They lived in Co. Bluffs, and he worked at Paul Lucht Body Shop as a truck adjuster. They were divorced in 1970.

Oct. 3, 1971, he married Janelle Chamberlain. To this union three children were born, Angela, Terry and Holly. After their marriage, they lived in Harlan for one year, then moved to Co. Bluffs, where he was employed by Paul Lucht Body Shop as a mechanic/frame alignment technician. In 1981, they returned to Harlan to the Peterson family farm. He worked for several area farmers and Western Iowa Pork. In 1997, the family moved into Harlan, due to his poor health. Dec. 15, 1999, he died at Salem Lutheran Home at age 58 years, seven months and 11 days.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his infant daughter, Katy Peterson. He is survived by his wife, Jan Peterson of Harlan; his children, Angela Wick (and fiancé Don Hansen) of Clarkfield, MN; Terry Peterson and Holly Peterson, both at home; Susan Mills and Kevin Peterson, both of Omaha and Roger Mortensen of Co. Bluffs; sisters, Monna (Jim) Juhl of Persia; Judy (Clay) Sanders of El Dorado Springs, MO; and Dorothy (Hugh) O'Grady of Omaha; one grandson, Spencer Wick of Clarkfield, MN; nieces, nephews and other relatives.