

Harold Davis, 94

Aug. 30, 1905 – Jan. 30, 2000

AVOCA – Harold Freemarr Davis was born on a farm southwest of Tennant in Harrison County, Aug. 30, 1905, son of Earl and Annie Myers Davis. He was one of four children in the family. He attended school in Tennant where he played basketball. He graduated from the Tennant High School in 1925.

He married Mabel Havick Feb. 23, 1927, at Harlan. They were the parents of three daughters, Betty Jean, Maxine and Rose. They farmed in the Shelby area for 20 years. He drove a school bus for the Tennant School for a number of years. In 1947, they moved to a farm near Avoca where they farmed for 28 years, retiring and moving to Avoca in 1975. Mabel died Sept. 20, 1980. Harold played both button accordion and the mouth organ. He and Mabel attended many dances in the area. He died at Myrtue Memorial Hospital Jan. 30, 2000, following a brief illness at age 94 years and five months.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a wife, Mabel; one daughter, Rose Campbell; two brothers, Albert and Alvin; and his sister, Della Eaton. He is survived by his two daughters, Betty Jean (Clarence) Holtz and Maxine (Eugene) Sornsen, all living near Avoca; seven grandchildren; 16 great grandchildren; two great great grandchildren; a sister-in-law, Lela Davis of Harlan; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Feb. 1, 2000, at the Knutson Funeral Home in Avoca, with Mr. Wayne Paulsen officiating. Burial was in the Graceland Cemetery in Avoca.

