Russell L. Hoien, 60

HARLAN – Russell Lee Hoien, son of Ivar and Agnes (Bak) Hoien, was born on a farm near Ringsted, July 31, 1928. He died at Nebraska Methodist Hospital, Omaha, NE, February 18, 1989, at age 60 years, six months and 18 days.

Shortly after his birth, his mother died and he was raised by his aunt and uncle, Lawrence and Christina Nelsen of Ringsted. He was baptized and confirmed in St. John's Lutheran Church, Ringsted and graduated from Ringsted High School with the class of 1946. He managed the grain elevator in Ring-sted and Wallingford, and in 1966, he moved to Malcom where he managed the Malcom Co-op.

June 15, 1973, he married Marilyn Hubbard Stahl at the Methodist Church in Malcom. He then joined Farmland Insurance and lived in Mitchellville, before moving to Harlan in 1979 where he continued this line of work until his death. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Ringsted.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Harvey Nelsen. He is survived by his wife, Marilyn of Harlan; two sons, Tom of Carthage, MO and Tim of Brooklyn and two daughters, Teresa Hoien of Minneapolis, MN and Jodie Bridges of Mitchellville; six grandchildren; three sisters, Enid Wiley of Ringsted, Ines (Mrs Leland) Peter of Tyler, MN, Jeri (Mrs Joe) Wander of Chicago, IL; a brother, Charles of San Diego, CA and his step-mother, Ruth Hoien of Chicago; nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Feb. 22, 1989 at the St. John's Lutheran Church in Ringsted with Dr. James L. Harmon and Pastor Paul Fohs officiating. Burial was in St. John's cemetery, Ringsted. Honorary casket bearers were Ned Stout, Lloyd Nelsen, Leroy Kannas, Howard Schulte, Ron Holm, Dale Johanson, Clarence Smith, Floyd Chambers and (R.C.) Bobby Hills. Serving as casket bearers were Gregory Peter, Lonnie Hoien, Daniel Nelsen, Kevin Peter, John R. Wiley and Dennis Nelsen. Pauley Funeral Home and Henry-Olson-Fuhrmann Funeral Home were in charge of arrangements.