

## **Einar Leistad, 90**

**Dec. 9, 1900 — MARCH 11, 1991**

**ELK HORN** — Einar Leistad, son of Anders and Laura Leistad, was born in Trondheim, Norway, Dec. 9, 1900. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith. In 1920, he came to Elk Horn and lived with his uncle and aunt, John and Maren Leistad.

Jan. 7, 1930, he married Anna Marie Hansen. Throughout his life he was employed as a farmhand, lumber jack, carpenter, performer, horse trainer and construction worker. He was also known as an author and his interests were in wood working and bow hunting. He died March 11, 1991, at Salem Nursing Home.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Arne and a sister, Lilly, all of Norway. Survivors include his wife; three sons and two daughters and their spouses, Edward of Atlantic; Arnold (Vicki) of Atlantic; Roger (Jane) of Spencer; Elaine (Gene) Hoffmann of Lewis and Sonja (Richard) Larsen of Ottumwa; 11 grandchildren; 10 step-grandchildren and 30 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Helga Lange of Elk Horn and Ragna Beckstrom of Trondheim, Norway and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held March 13, 1991 at Elk Horn Lutheran Church with Pastor Mike Williams, officiating. Casketbearers were his grandsons, Jason and Jeffrey Leistad, Peter and Lee Greve and David and Eric Larsen. Honorary bearers were Russell Lange, Richard Nelson, William Hoffmann, James Hoffmann, John Hoffmann, Tom McLaren, Emory Jensen and Grove Huckins. Burial was in the Elk Horn Lutheran cemetery. Kaltoft Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.