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## George McKnabb, 82

**HARLAN** – George Alvin McKnabb, son of Orley and Emma Hopkins McKnabb was born Feb. 7, 1907 near Portsmouth. He was educated in the rural schools near Portsmouth and Tennant.

Sept. 9, 1931, he married Helen E. Schuning and to this union four daughters were born. He farmed near Earling for 15 years and moved to a farm east of Harlan in 1947. He retired to Harlan in 1967. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Harlan and enjoyed working with the Shelby Co. Historical Society. Jan. 8, 1967, he married Esther Petersen. He died Jan. 7, 1990 at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan at age 82 years and 11 months.

He was preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Helen in 1965, brother, Clarence; three sisters, Pearl Truitt, Edith Mulligan and one in infancy; two son-in-laws, Bernard Klindt and Lloyd Dreager, and a step-granddaughter. Survivors include his wife, Esther; four daughters, Carolyn (Mrs Paul) Schroder of Hancock; Mildred (Mrs Norman) Nielsen of Dunlap; Inez Dreager of Exira and Betty (Mrs Eugene) Juhl of Irwin; 14 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren; three step-children, Carol Thompson of Spring City, TN.; Marjorie Christensen of Carlisle and Shirley Swanson of Novato, CA.; eight step-grandchildren and 9 step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Jan. 11, 1990 at First United Methodist Church with Rev. Steve Clinton, officiating. Burial was in the Harlan cemetery with Roy Hansen, Paul Larsen, Edwin Swank, Virgil Wilcox, Bruce Whannel and Edward U. Christiansen as honorary bearers and Kelly Juhl, Mike Grote, Ivan Hansen, Kenneth Juhl, Lowell Klindt, Mark Schroder, Todd Prescott and Jude Schoenherr as casketbearers. Arrangements by Burmeister Funeral Home. X