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Hans Christian Rasmussen, 95

March 19, 1895 — Jan. 30, 1991

HARLAN – Hans Christian "Chris" Rasmussen, son of Frans Ludvig and Gertrud Marie Rasmussen, was born March 19, 1895 in Svendborg, Denmark. He was baptized and confirmed at Dom Frue Kirke in Svendborg and attended school in this town also. He served in the Danish Army during WW I. In 1921 he immigrated to America and worked the wheat harvest in several midwestern states. He attended Dana College in Blair, NE., during the winter of 1921. He purchased the Harlan Cement Works in 1924 and was in that business for over 60 years.

April 2, 1930, he married Lula D. Boeck at Harlan and to this union four children were born. He was a member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church, a 67 year member of the Odd Fellows Lodge and served on the church council and Harlan City Council. He died Jan. 30, 1991 at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan at age 95 years, 10 months and 11 days.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by all his eight brothers and sisters, his wife, Lula in 1983 and his son, Robert in 1975. He is survived by his son, Franklin of Harlan; two daughters, Karen of Overland Park, KS., and Karlene of Harlan; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild; many nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Feb. 2, 1991, at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Harlan with Rev. Otto Zwanziger, officiating. Burial was in the Harlan cemetery with Edwin Swank, Clem Arkfeld, Dan Haseltine, Gaillard Lund, Mike Whitaker and Kenneth Escher serving as casketbearers. Arrangements by Burmeister Funeral Home.