

Basil D. Sorensen, 40

May 22, 1951 — Jan. 3, 1992

KIMBALLTON - Basil Dwain Sorensen, son of Robert and JoAnn Christensen Sorensen, was born May 22, 1951 in Harlan. He died Jan. 3, 1992 at Mo. Valley, at age 40 years, 7 months and 11 years. He grew to adulthood in Harlan, where he was baptized and confirmed in the Immanuel Lutheran Church. He graduated from the Harlan Community High School in 1969, where he developed an interest in drafting and reading blue prints. His interest as a young boy also included scouting where he was a Cub Scout, Boy Scout and Explorer Scout. After graduation, he served his country in the U.S. Army. Following his discharge, he returned to Harlan, where he worked several years in the parts department of Wigness Farm Implement Company. He also worked for Massey Ferguson Dealers in Sedelia, MO. and Mo. Valley.

He married Thelma Musich and three children were born, Timothy, Wenday and Zacharia, all of Harlan. He later became employed by The Sieg Nebraska Auto Parts Company, working in Omaha, NE., and Red Oak and Harlan.

Sept. 2, 1981, he married Kathy Kunasek in Co. Bluffs. To this union a son, Travis and two daughters, Genna and Charissa, were born, all who live at home in Kimballton. After marriage, he continued to be employed in the Farm Implement parts business for a short time. In 1982, they moved to Port Lavaca, TX., where he was employed as a heavy equipment operator for a construction company. It was here that his interest in reading blue prints was rekindled. In 1983, they moved back to Omaha where he became an insurance agent. In 1985, they moved to FL., where he operated a construction management business and became a certified diver. They returned to Harlan in 1989, then moved to Kimballton, in 1990, where he continued to operate his construction management business that he had developed in TX. and FL.

In addition to his wife, children and two grandchildren, Chrystal and Sean. He is survived by his parents, Robert and JoAnn Sorensen and two brothers, Wade (Donna) and Eric, all of Harlan; aunts and uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Private funeral services for the family were held Jan. 6, 1992, at Pauley Funeral Home with Rev. John Riggle of the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Kimballton and Pastor Steve Richert of the Sherwood Community Church of the Christian Missionary Alliance in Co. Bluffs, officiating. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery with Jim Juhl, Kenneth Escher, Eugene Clayton, Timothy Sorensen, Casey Christensen, and Valen A. Christensen casketbearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.