

## **Edward Sorensen, 79**

*Nov. 30, 1920 – Sept. 14, 2000*

**GREELEY, CO** – Edward Sorensen, son of Edward Christian and Carrie Rasmussen Sorensen, was born Nov. 30, 1920, in Beebeetown and lived there until he was 9. He moved to Harlan where he attended country school until the eighth grade. He was baptized and confirmed in the Trinity Lutheran Church in Avoca. He worked for Boeing Aircraft Factory in Seattle, WA, for several years during the war, then returned to Iowa to farm.

He married Elva Sorensen March 4, 1945, in Harlan. To this union three children were born, Richard Allen, David Edward and Diana K. Sams. Oct. 9, 1972, he was injured in a construction accident which left him paralyzed from the waist down. After six weeks in intensive care he spent five months at the Craig Hospital where he received therapy. The family home was remodeled to accommodate his wheel chair and he started making doll houses, barns and doll furniture and wind chimes. He was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Greeley, CO and the Elks Club. He died Sept. 14, 2000, at the Hospice and Palliative Care of Northern Colorado Inpatient Unit of North Colorado Medical Center at age 79.

He was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his wife, Elva (Sorensen) Sorensen of Greeley, CO; his sons, Richard Sorensen (Beverly) of Aurora, CO; and David Sorensen (Marilyn) of Auburn, CA; and his daughter, Diana Sams (Chris) of Springtown, TX; 11 grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Funeral services were held Sept. 19, 2000, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Greeley, CO. Burial was in Sunset Memorial Gardens.