

Eugene Wilcox, 91

Oct. 14, 1913 - Sept. 24, 2005

HARLAN — Eugene Dunnington Wilcox, son of Leroy Seth and Orpha Rebecca (Dunnington) Wilcox, was born Oct. 14, 1913, in Harlan. He was raised on a farm located near Tennant. He graduated from Tennant High School with the class of 1932.

Sept. 25, 1936, Eugene married Alice Norma Buckman in Rock Port, MO and the couple made their home in Harlan. In 1941, Eugene began trucking with his own truck. From 1954-1964, he worked as a salesman, first for Squealer Feeds in Harlan, and later for Peets Feed of Council Bluffs. He received sales awards each year from 1968-1974. Eugene also sold seed corn for McCurdy and Cargill. He retired from sales in 1980. He was a member of Christ's Church in Harlan. He had served as a volunteer fireman in Harlan and as a member of the Shelby County Fair Association. He died Sept. 24, 2005, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 91 years, 11 months, and 10 days.

Preceding Eugene in death were his parents; his wife, Alice Norma Buckman, in Harlan April 13, 1971; two sisters, Alice Lyon and Velma Sorensen; and two brothers, Virgil Wilcox and Gordon Wilcox. Survivors include his special friend, Eleanor Graves of Harlan; one daughter, Janice Bradley of Des Moines; three sons, Richard (Mildred) Wilcox of Cherry Hill, NJ, Gary (Anne) Wilcox of Mission Viejo, CA, and Norman (Mary Ellen) Wilcox of Grayson, GA; seven grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Sept. 28, 2005, at the Burmeister-Johannsen Funeral Home with Larry Fiscus of Christ's Church in Harlan officiating. Casket bearers were Eddie Roos, Tim Klein, Dean Junker, Richard Joy, Ed Logan, and Jerry Kelley. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery.

