

The Life Story of --

MARTIN BROWN, 82

Martin Brown was born Jan. 18, 1893 in Audubon county and was son of Oscar Theodore Brown and Martha J. Leistad Brown. He was baptized and confirmed in the Elk Horn Lutheran church. On Nov. 26, 1914 Martin married Meta Hansen. They farmed south of Elk Horn on the home place for a number of years. Then they moved south west of Brayton. Martin farmed from 1932-1947 2½ miles west of Kimballton where he retired and moved to Kimballton. In 1943 Martin and Meta joined the Immanuel Lutheran church in Kimballton where they were members until 1974. At this time they sold their home in Kimballton and moved to the Salem Lutheran Homes in Elk Horn. They then moved their church membership to Elk Horn Lutheran church. Martin was active in numerous community affairs. He was an officer in the AAA farming program, a longtime member of the Selective Service Board Audubon county, member of Marne Elk Horn Telephone Board and a member of Audubon Co. Tax Review board. He died Dec. 31, 1975 at the Salem Retirement Home in Elk Horn at age 82 years.

Preceding him in death were his parents, one sister Olga (Mrs Einar Petersen) and two sons, Bernard, and Harold. Surviving him are his wife, Meta and two daughters, Mrs Bernard Jensen (Margie) of Des Moines and Mrs Harriet Klock of Larkspur, Calif., and five grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Jan. 3, 1976 at the Elk Horn Lutheran church in Elk Horn, with Pastor Lester Larsen with Pastor Harry Thomsen officiating. Burial was in the Elk Horn Lutheran cemetery in Elk Horn.

Casketbearers were Einer Leistad, Carl Bonnesen, Elmer Gude, Howard Sornsen, Norman Leistad, Lester Crouse, Hans Andersen, Harold Hoegh. Kaltoft Funeral Home Kimballton were in charge of arrangements.
