

Harold O. Gibson, 72

Harlan — Harold Orr Gibson, son of William and Dora Adams Gibson was born in Montfort, Wisc., on March 13, 1905. He attended school and grew up in Wisconsin. In 1922, he moved with his parents to Sioux City, where he completed his schooling, graduating from Central high school in 1924. On April 20, 1927, he married Ferne Britton in St. Paul's Episcopal church in Sioux City. Two children were born to this union.

After their marriage, Mr and Mrs Gibson lived in many different places in the midwest while Hoot worked as a livestock buyer for Armour and Company for 40 years. He retired from Armour shortly after moving to Harlan, in 1963. In 1964 he became a sales representative for Harlan Builders Inc. and has made his home in Harlan since that time. Mr Gibson died at his home at 1315 Onyx Dr. in Harlan on Feb. 13, 1978, at age 72 years and 11 months.

He was a member of St. Paul's Episcopal church in Harlan and served on the vestry of the church. He was also a member of the Abu-Bekr Temple, Shrine A.A.O.N.M.S. of Sioux City, Iowa and the Parian Lodge No. 321, A.F. & A.M. of Harlan.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a grandson, Kai Erickson. His survivors include his wife, Ferne Gibson, of Harlan; a son, Harold O. Gibson, Jr. of Freeport, Ill.; a daughter, Phyllis (Mrs James Erickson) of Champaign, Ill.; nine grandchildren; and a great-granddaughter; by a sister, Dorothy (Mrs Lawrence Thiessen) of Westminster, Calif.; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Masonic services were held at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan on Wednesday, Feb. 15, 1978 conducted by the Parian Lodge No. 321, A.F. & A.M. of Harlan. Funeral services were held at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan on Thursday, Feb. 16, 1978 with Rev. Glenn E. Rankin, pastor of St. Paul's Episcopal church in Harlan, officiating. Burial was in the Harlan cemetery, with Pat Byrnes, Dave Maupin, Dave Baldwin, John Huebner, R. L. Tredway and Forrest Johnson serving as casketbearers.
