

# Wilford Pedersen, 75

**HARLAN** — Wilford Pedersen, son of Anna Katherine Nasby and Peder Pedersen was born March 19, 1906, near Elk Horn. He died Saturday, March 28, 1981, at Clarkson hospital, Omaha at age 75 years and 9 days. He attended Clay twp. rural schools. On Oct. 4, 1926, he married Erma Annetta Turner in Harlan. This union was blessed with six children. He drove truck at Walnut for a number of years and in 1938, moved to Harlan and did general labor until 1944, when he entered the Navy. Following W.W. II, he worked as a carpenter until his retirement in 1969. He has been a resident of the Salem Lutheran Nursing Home for two years and was a member of the First Baptist church of Harlan.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife-Erma, six brothers; William, Peter, James, Henry, Thorwalk and George, four sisters; Antine, Ida, Edna and Lillian, two grandsons David and Billy. Survivors include two sons, Donald of Coon Rapids and Marvin of Harlan, four daughters; Mrs Mary Lou Nakama of Kaneohe, Hawaii, Mrs Catherine Lambertson of Harlan. Mrs Ruth Keres of Omaha and Mrs Judie Ahrenholtz of Harlan, two sisters; Miss Agnes Pedersen of Elk Horn and Mrs Esther Petersen of Harlan, by 16 grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren, nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 31, 1981, at Burmeister Funeral Home with Pastors Donald C. Thrash and J. Harry Thomsen, officiating. Burial was in the Harlan cemetery with Kevin Duff, Dean Huffman, Gary Stroud, Rick Stroud, Lee Pedersen, and Bruce Noehren, grandchildren serving as casketbearers.

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