

Fredrick L. Rasmussen, 75

Fredrick Lauritz Rasmussen, son of George and Petrea Anna Behrendt Rasmussen was born Oct. 11, 1906 in Harlan. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran church and attended school in the Cuppy's Grove and Harlan area. He grew to adulthood helping on the family farm.

On Oct. 17, 1928, he married Christina Christiansen at the Elk Horn Lutheran church Parsonage in Elk Horn. Three children were born to this union. After their marriage, they made their home in Elk Horn, where he was employed by the Elk Horn-Marne Telephone Co. for one year. The Rasmussen's then farmed in the Elk Horn and Walnut areas until 1943, when they moved to their present farm in Lincoln twp., Shelby co. In 1964 he was elected Shelby County Supervisor, serving Shelby County for the next 14 years. After he retired in 1978, the Rasmussen's continued to live on their farm in Lincoln twp. On Oct. 17, 1978, the Rasmussen's were privileged to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.

He was a member of the Immanuel Lutheran church in Harlan as well as a member of the Republican Party and the Good Roads Assoc., a past president of the Shelby County Historical Society, a charter member of the Sheltered Work Shop, Concerned, Inc. and West Central Development.

He died at Myrtue Memorial hospital in Harlan, on Wednesday, Jan. 6, 1982 at the age of 75 years.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three brothers, Tom, Andrew and George Rasmussen, Jr.

Survivors include his wife, Christina of Lincoln twp.; two sons, Lawrence and his wife, Doris and Eugene and his wife, Peggy, all of Harlan; one daughter, Patricia and her husband, John Knudson of Harlan; five grandchildren and one great grandchild; three brothers, Holger and Anker, both of Harlan and Carl of Irwin, nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at Immanuel Lutheran church in Harlan on Saturday, Jan. 9, 1982 with Pastor Kenneth P. Alpers officiating.

Burial was in the Harlan cemetery with Phil Phelps, Pete Gubbels, Dean Oldenburg, Clifford Pedersen, Dr. G.W. Jorgensen and Clarence J. McDermott serving as casketbearers.