

Holger M. Andersen, 91

Harlan — Holger Marenus Andersen, son of Nels Christian and Marie Saderup Andersen, was born in Godhaab, Denmark, on Dec. 6, 1887. He attended school and grew to adulthood in Godhaab, where he followed his father's trade and was an apprentice in a Sienka Tool Factory.

In Feb. of 1906, Mr Andersen and his brother, Steve, immigrated to America and made their home with P. L. Sorensens. He worked as a hired hand for Tobias, White and Brodersen until 1912, when a brother, John, came to America and they began farming in partnership.

On Jan. 9, 1914, he married Anna Dorothea Ravn at a farm home near Harlan. Four children were born to this union. After their marriage, they farmed near Kirkman until moving to a farm east of Walnut in 1920. In 1931 they moved to a farm at Cuppy's Grove and this was their home until 1936 when they farmed west of Harlan. They returned to Cuppy's Grove in 1944 and farmed there until retiring in 1959 and moving into Harlan. This was their home until becoming residents of the Salem Lutheran Home in Elk Horn in 1976. They were privileged to celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary this past Jan.

Holger was baptized and became a member of the Danish Baptist church in Harlan in Oct. of

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1914 and later became a member of the Altamont Baptist church. He was a current member of the First Baptist church in Harlan. Holger died at Myrtue Memorial hospital in Harlan on Tuesday, Aug. 7, 1979, at age 91 years, 8 months and one day.

In addition to his wife, Anna, he was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Dorothea; a son, Donald; and four brothers - Andres, Carl, Steve and John. He is survived by a daughter, Ila Knudson, of Harlan; a son, Harry Andersen of Marne; a daughter-in-law, Jeanne Andersen of Harlan; nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; by a sister, Agnes of Copenhagen, Denmark; a niece, Marie (Mrs Carl Lindball) of Omaha who was thought of as a sister; nieces and nephews and other relatives, both here in the United States and in Denmark.

Funeral services were held at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan on Friday, Aug. 10, 1979, with Pastor J. Harry Thomsen, Chaplain of the Salem Lutheran Home, officiating. Burial was in the Harlan cemetery, with John Knudson, Wade Andersen, Craig Andersen, Charles Kokes, Scott Andersen and Bruce Andersen serving as casketbearers.
