

CHRISTENSEN, Leonard

HARLAN (IOWA) TRIBUNE

Leonard E. Christensen, 70orn., Dec 30, 1981

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Leonard Einer Christensen, son of Peter and Mary Rasmussen Christensen, was born Aug. 31, 1911 in Audubon County near Poplar. He attended the country school near Poplar, growing to adulthood on the family farm.

On June 13, 1936, he married Alice M. McKeighan in Co. Bluffs. Five children were born to this union. After their marriage, they made their home in Harlan, where he worked as a blacksmith for most of this life, retiring in 1975. After Mrs Christensen died on Jan. 9, 1975, he continued to make his home in Harlan.

He died in Harlan on Monday, Dec. 14, 1981, at the age of 70 years.

In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by one granddaughter Tamra Sue Christensen; two brothers, Martinus and Elmer Christensen and one sister, Florence Christensen.

Survivors include two sons, Duane of Portsmouth, Virginia and Gerald of Harlan; three daughters, Carolyn (Mrs Kenneth) Hursey and Cheryl (Mrs Leon) Hansen, both of Harlan and Charlene (Mrs John) McKeighan of Persia; eight grandchildren; one brother, Alfred of Audubon, three sisters, Eva (Mrs Carl) Daily of South Bend, Ind., Mabel (Mrs Alfred) Petersen of Audubon, and Myrtle (Mrs Cliff) Gardner of Harlan; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at the Immanuel Lutheran church in Harlan Thursday, Dec. 17, 1981 with Pastor Kenneth P. Alpers officiating. Burial was in the Harlan cemetery with Larry Wehr, Ron Gardner, Ronald Burgin, Jerry Christensen, Marty Christensen and Donald Christensen serving as casketbearers.

Pauley Funeral Home of Harlan was in charge of the arrangements.

L. Christensen

HARLAN — Services for Leonard E. Christensen, 70, of Harlan will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at Immanuel Lutheran Church.

The Rev. Kenneth P. Alpers will officiate. Interment will be in the Harlan Cemetery.

Mr. Christensen retired in 1975 as a blacksmith. His wife, Alice, died that same year.

Surviving are two sons, Duane of Portsmouth, Va. and Gerald of Harlan; three daughters, Mrs. Kenneth (Carolyn) Hursey and Mrs. :epm (Cheryl) Hansen, both of Harlan, and Mrs. John (Charlene) McKeighan of Persia; eight grandchildren; a brother, Alfred of Audubon; three sisters, Mrs. Carl (Eva) Daily of South Bend, Ind., Mrs. Alfred (Mabel) Petersen of Audubon and Mrs. Cliff (Myrtle) Gardner of Harlan.

Mr. Christensen died Monday at his home

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