



THE LIFE STORY OF —

Lester Jacobsen

Lester Leroy Jacobsen, son of George and Rosa Cooper Jacobsen, was born in Shelby, on Sept. 14, 1911. He died at Myrtue Memorial hospital in Harlan on Dec. 28, 1976, at age 65 years, three months and 14 days. He attended grade school in Shelby. After his parents died in 1919, he lived with his grandparents for a short time. Then he made his home with his aunt and uncle, Mr and Mrs Quincy Combs, at Kellerton, Ia., where he graduated from the Kellerton high school. On April 2, 1938, he married Dorothy Errett at Shenandoah. Seven children were born to this union. After their marriage, Mr and Mrs Jacobsen made their home in Harlan. In Dec. of 1943, Lester entered the Army and served with the 948th Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion during WW II. After receiving his honorable discharge in Dec. of 1945, he and Mrs Jacobsen made their home in Corley until 1947. They then moved to Harlan and this has been his home since that time. Mr Jacobsen worked for National By Products for about ten years and for the last two years had been employed as a security guard for Wells Fargo at the Western Iowa Pork Plant in Harlan. He was a member of the Immanuel Lutheran church in Harlan.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a daughter, Karen and by a son, Ronald. His survivors include his wife, Dorothy of Harlan; a daughter, Joyce (Mrs Norman Kenkel) of Earling; four sons - Larry of Webster City, Roger and David, both of Harlan and Terry of Council Bluffs and by 18 grandchildren, by two sisters - Dorothy (Mrs Cloyde Beede) of Des Moines and Alberta (Mrs Willard Mook) of Calif.; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan on Thursday, Dec. 30, 1976, with Pastor Clifford H. Nelson, pastor of Immanuel Lutheran church in Harlan, officiating. Burial was in the Harlan cemetery, with John Mayne, Wayne Razer, Elmer Nelson, Donald Combs, Lawrence Combs and Orlin (Buck) Pauley serving as casketbearers.