

Walter E. Kuster, 59

Persia — Walter Edward Kuster, son of John and Minnie Bramer Kuster, was born July 28, 1923 in Harrison co. He attended school in Persia and later graduated from Persia high school in 1940.

On Feb. 10, 1943, he was inducted into the U.S. Army. He served his country during WW II. Upon his honorary discharge in Feb. of 1945, he moved back to Persia where he owned and operated a service station.

On Aug. 25, 1947, he married Evelyn Williams in Co. Bluffs. Three children were born to this union. After their marriage they continued to live in Persia, where they owned and operated the service station. In May of 1981, they moved to Giltner, Neb., where he operated the Farmers Coop Service Station, for about a year and a half.

He was a member of the United Methodist church of Persia; Swanger Post 314 American Legion of Persia; Fraternal Order of Eagles No. 3215 of Blair, Neb.; International Order of Forrester's of Omaha, Neb.; and also the Lion's Club of Giltner, Neb. He died at Myrtue Memorial hospital in Harlan on Tuesday, Dec. 14, 1982 at the age of 59 years, 4 months and 17 days.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother Gus; and one grandson Ryan Kuster. He is survived by his wife Evelyn of Persia; two sons, Jerry of Green Forrest, Ark. and Randy of Persia; and one daughter Connie (Mrs Harold) Arbaugh of Persia; one brother, John M. Kuster of Co. Bluffs; seven grandchildren, nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Dec. 16, 1982, at the Persia United Methodist church, Persia, with Rev. Russell Vanderhoef of Shelby officiating.

Burial was in the Valley View cemetery west of Persia, with Walter Wear, Marion Legan, Alfred B. Smith, Arnold C. Nelson, Virgil R. Miller and Wendell E. Knauss serving as casketbearers.
