

Clifford G. Martin, 90

Harlan — Clifford George Martin, son of Elmer L. and Emma Knouse Martin, was born on a farm in Shelby county northeast of Harlan, on March 20, 1889. He attended country school and grew to adulthood on his parent's farm.

On Febr. 16, 1916, he married Alma Conrad in Co. Bluffs. Three children were born to this union. They farmed near Portsmouth for a while and then farmed in northern Iowa and Minn., for three years. They then returned to Shelby county and farmed for over 40 years before retiring and moving to Shelby, in 1955. In 1968, they moved to Harlan, and except for one year they spent back in Shelby, Harlan has been their home since that time. Mr Martin died at Myrtue Memorial hospital in Harlan, on Sunday, Dec. 2, 1979, at age 90 years, 8 months and 12 days.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by four brothers - Hal, Lyle, Orris, and Glenn. Survivors include his wife, Alma, of Harlan; two sons - Melvin Martin of Montevideo, Minn., and Verle Martin of Ashby, Minn.; a daughter, Elenor Chambers of Omaha, Nebr.; 11 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan, on Wednesday, Dec. 5, 1979, with Dr. Larry LaVelle, pastor of the First United Methodist church in Harlan, officiating. Burial was in the Shelby cemetery, with Don Martin, Dewey Conrad, Kenneth Conrad, Gerald Mortensen, William J. Conrad, and Clarence Wohlhutter as honorary bearers and David Martin, Kerry Martin, James Stokes, Eldred Conrad, Herman Rubink, and Clifford V. Martin serving as casketbearers.
