



Christian H. Rold, 84

Harlan — Christian Hansen Rold, son of Christen and Vibecca Hansen Rold, was born on a farm in Monroe twp, Shelby county, on Nov. 18, 1894. He was baptized at the Altamont Baptist church where he was a life time member. He attended country school and grew to adulthood on his parent's farm.

In Dec. of 1917, he entered the Army and served until receiving his honorable discharge in March of 1919. He then returned to Shelby county where he engaged in farming. On March 30, 1921, he married Esther M. Larsen. Four children were born to this union.

After their marriage, they farmed in Shelby and Guthrie counties except for a brief time when they lived in Monrovia, Calif. They retired from active farming in 1959 and made their home in Harlan. After Esther's death in April of this year, Christian continued to make his home in Harlan. He died at the Baptist Memorial Home in Harlan, on Sunday, June 3, 1979, at age 84 years, 6 months and 15 days.

In addition to his parents and his wife, he was preceded in death by a daughter, Vivian Goff; four sisters - Charlotte Rold, Martha Christensen, Dagmar Nelson, and Myrtle Nelson; a brother, Vernon Rold; and by two infant grandsons. He is survived by his daughter, Ruth, and son-in-law, C. Haddon Thompson of Carmichael, Calif.; his son, Paul of Arvada, Colo.; his son, Robert of Harlan; nine grandchildren - Connie (Mrs Raymond Downs) of Hacienda Hts., Calif., who was raised by Mr and Mrs Rold, Mark Rold, Brett Rold and Julie Rold, of Harlan, Paul Rold II, Greg Rold, Trent Rold and Michelle Rold, of Arvada, Colo., and David Thompson of Carmichael, Calif., by two sisters - Neva Nelson of Albert Lea, Minn., and Violet Thomsen of Winterset; a brother, Carroll Rold of Portland, Oreg, nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at the Altamont Baptist church, Shelby county, on Wednesday, June 6, 1979, with Mr Arthur W. Anderson, officiating. Burial was in Cuppy's Grove cemetery, Shelby County, with Greg Rold, Mark Rold, Brett Rold, Trent Rold, Paul Rold II, and David Thompson, all grandsons of Mr Rold, serving as casketbearers.

Pauley Funeral Home was in charge of the services.

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