

Bernard C. Summers, 65

Harlan — Bernard Charles Summers, son of Charles and Myrtle Pulver Summers was born in Harlan, on Aug. 3, 1914. He attended school in Harlan and worked at the Gambles store.

On April 4, 1936, he married Mae Guss at the Methodist Parsonage in Harlan. Five children were born to this union. On April 1, 1944, he was drafted into the Navy where he served in the South Pacific as a Seaman First Class. Bernard's four brothers also served their country during WW II, with Vernon being killed in action at Anzio Beach, Italy, in 1944.

After his honorable discharge on Dec. 22, 1945, he worked for Pauley Furniture Store as a salesman until 1958. He then worked for the City of Harlan until his retirement in 1971. Mr Summers was a member of V.F.W. Post No. 941 of Harlan, of which he was also a past commander. He was also a member of the Helmer Reyelt American Legion Post No. 150 of Harlan. Mr Summers died at the St. Joseph's hospital, Omaha, Nebr., on Saturday, July 12, 1980, at age 65 years, 11 months and nine days.

In addition to his parents, Mr Summers was preceded in death by two brothers - Leonard and Vernon; and one sister, Ruth. Survivors include his wife; Mae, of Harlan; three sons - Charles and Gerald, both of Harlan; and James of Co. Bluffs; two daughters - Helen (Mrs Verle) Doonan of Harlan and Mary Ann (Mrs Dale) Kaven of Schuyler, Nebr.; and 13 grandchildren; by two brothers - Lyle Summers of Mt. Thomas, Calif., and Earl Summers of Cedar Rapids; two sisters - Helen (Mrs Malcomb) Klinger of Hiawatha, and Opal (Mrs Dean) Rusman of Cedar Rapids; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at Pauley Funeral Home, on Tuesday, July 15, 1980, with Rev. Don Schoepf, pastor of the First Christian church, officiating.

Burial was in the Harlan cemetery with Jake Baker, Glen Arnold, Marvin Martin, Kelly Fairchild, Darrell D. Burger, and Norman "Rocky" Swensen serving as casketbearers.

Military rites were conducted at the cemetery by V.F.W. Post 941, of Harlan.