

## **Svend Christian Andersen, 93**

*June 1, 1902 - Oct. 3, 1995*

**Elk Horn** - Svend Christian Andersen was born June 1, 1902 to Niels R. and Ane Margrethe Steiner Andersen in Ringkøbing, Jutland, Denmark. He died Oct. 3, 1995 at the Salem Lutheran Nursing Home in Elk Horn at age 93. He came to the United States in 1927 at age 25. He stayed with his brother, Chris and worked at the Rorbeck Store, for area farmers and followed the wheat harvest to SD.

He married Gladys Petersen in 1936. To this union four children were born. They farmed three miles west of Elk Horn. She died Jan. 1944.

In 1958 he married Sylvia Esbeck and they continued to farm until he retired in 1966. She died Dec. 1978. He entered the Salem Retirement Home in 1979. In Dec. 1991 he entered the nursing home.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Niels and Ane; step mother, Kristen Marie Mortensen; wives, Gladys and Sylvia; two daughters, Jeanene Andersen and Jerolyn Kite; infant grandson, Patrick Andersen; nine brothers and sisters; one step sister and one step brother. He is survived by a daughter, Ileen Furne (Edward) of Atlantic; a son, Ivan (Lavon) of Elk Horn; step son, Jim Esbeck (Judy) of Tucson, AZ; step daughter, Ellen Timm (Darold) of Newton; one step sister, Grethe in Denmark; twenty-one grandchildren and thirty-two great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Oct. 6, 1995 at the Salem Lutheran Retirement Home Hansen Chapel, Elk Horn with Rev. Stephen Gronseth officiating. Burial was in the Elk Horn Lutheran Cemetery at a later date. Casket bearers were Jack Furne, Darin Kite, Dean Andersen, Bryan Kite, Neil Andersen and Michael Andersen. Steen Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.