

## David D. Ahrenholtz, 61

May 29, 1937 - Feb. 21, 1999

**HARLAN** - David D. Ahrenholtz, son of H. Lee and Maude (Cox) Ahrenholtz, was born May 29, 1937, near Defiance. He was baptized at the Defiance Evangelical Church in 1939. He attended school in Defiance until 1948, when the school was closed. He then attended school in Irwin, graduating from Irwin High School at 1954. May 17, 1960, he was inducted into the United States Army, spending time in Germany during his assignment. His honorable discharge took place May 15, 1962.

July 18, 1964, he married Judie Pedersen at the First United Methodist Church in Harlan. They became the parents of two children, Christine and Anthony. The couple made their home in Harlan, where David worked as a carpenter. David was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Harlan. He died Feb. 21, 1999, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 61 years, eight months and 23 days.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Daniel Ahrenholtz, and a nephew, Keevan Knudsen. Survivors include his wife, Judie Ahrenholtz of Harlan; his children, Christine Ahrenholtz of Kansas City, MO and Anthony Ahrenholtz of Omaha, NE; his brothers and sisters, Dorothy (Bill) Gessmann of Denison; Delores Perkins (Jack) of Co. Bluffs; Robert Ahrenholtz (Marge) of Harlan; Galen Ahrenholtz (Mary) of Oleta, KS and Beverly (Jerald) Knudsen of Charter Oak, and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Feb. 23, 1999, at Pauley Funeral Home with Rev. Paul Wilcox of the First United Methodist Church officiating. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery with Frank Sick, Orlin "Buck" Pauley, Todd Sondag, John Crabtree, Richard Ahrenholtz, Dave Lansing and Ken Thielen casket bearers.