

## Herman Andersen, 86

June 14, 1920 - Dec. 21, 2006

**HARLAN** — Herman John Andersen, son of Peter and Caroline Leopold Andersen, was born June 14, 1920, in Hancock. He attended school in Hancock and after graduation he attended Tabor Business College for two years in Tabor.

Herman married Bernice Sweet May 2, 1947, in Avoca. To this union four children were born, Pam, Steve, Deb and Kim. After their marriage, He held various jobs throughout the years in the Avoca community which included work as a clerk at the Avoca Courthouse, milk deliverer in the Minden and Neola areas, employment with Schueman Trucking in Avoca and the Oakland Beef Plant, and as a custodian and bus driver with the AvoHa School System. Herman and Bernice moved in 1993 and made their home in Harlan where he was employed by Hy-Vee, retiring in 1995. Bernice died May 7, 1997, and Herman continued to live in Harlan, moving to the Avoca Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in October 2002. He died Dec. 21, 2006, at the Avoca Nursing and Rehabilitation Center at age 86 years, six months and seven days.

Herman is preceded in death by his parents and his wife, Bernice. He is survived by his children, Pam (Bret) Riche of Vallejo, CA; Steve Andersen (Gari) of Omaha, NE; Deb (Steve) Oliver of Dysart; and Kim (Dale) Krohn of Avoca; 12 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Dec. 27, 2006, at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Avoca, with Pastor Denny Reich officiating and Ben Oliver, Keenan Andersen, Darren Krohn, Brian Krohn, Nick Andersen and Austin Oliver casket bearers. Burial was in the Graceland Cemetery in Avoca. Pauley Jones Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

