

Lowell Buck, 71**March 27, 1921 — Jan. 30, 1993**

MINDEN — Lowell Henry Buck, the son of Roscoe August and Lillian (Matthiessen) Buck was born March 27, 1921, in Douglas twp., Harrison county. He died Jan. 30, 1993, at Jennie Edmundson Hospital in Co. Bluffs at age 71 years, 10 months and three days. As a child, he moved with his family to a farm near Walnut. Approximately five years later, they moved to a farm near Panama. He attended school for a time at Panama, and it was while the family lived near Panama that his father died from a farm related accident. The family then rented a farm near Shelby, and he then graduated from Shelby High School in 1940. After high school, he moved to Kansas City to work while living with his sister Bessie. At the onset of WW II, he entered the Merchant Marines, spending three months in St. Petersburg, FL., before reporting to his station in New Orleans. After his tour in the Merchant Marines, he returned to Shelby county where he worked for a time. Sept. 21, 1944 he entered the U.S. Navy, serving his country during WW II as a Radar Operator onboard ship. After his honorable discharge Feb. 23, 1946, he returned to Shelby to farm.

Feb. 17, 1948, he married Phyllis Freeman at the Methodist Church in Shelby. Four children were born to this union. After their marriage, they farmed near Persia, and in 1955, moved to Avoca. In 1962, they moved to a farm near Minden. He began work for the Stauffer Chemical Company in Omaha, NE., in 1965, retiring in 1986 after over 21 years of service. During his lifetime, he wrote poems and short stories, and in 1991, became a regular columnist for the "The Wacky World of Peafowl" Report. His column entitled "Lowell's Limericks" appeared in the publication edited and published by his daughter, Debra and her husband Dennis Fett. After the death of his wife July 2, 1984, he continued to reside near Minden until the time of his death. He was a member of the Shelby American Legion, Post #240.

In addition to his parents, and wife, he was preceded in death by a son, Rodney. He is survived by a son, Randy (Rose) Buck of Silverton, OR.; two daughters, Debra Buck (Dennis) Fett of Minden; and Crystal (John) Waltz of Parkersburg; 3 grandchildren; 1 great-grandchild; 8 sisters, Veta (Arnold) Bock of Shelby; Bessie Langer of Independence, MO.; Mildred (Bruce) Whannell and his twin sister, Lois (Robert) Mortensen, all of Harlan; Alta (Wesley) Hamilton of San Antonio, TX.; Vera (Wayne) Raasch of Harlan; Edna (Harry) Barton of Colorado Springs, CO.; and Retha Buck of New York, N.Y.; 2 brothers, Robert (Aletha) Buck of Shelby; and Roscoe (Loretta) Buck of Tennant; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Feb. 3, 1993, at the First Presbyterian Church in Shelby, with Rev. Gerald Oliver officiating. Military rites were conducted at the Harlan cemetery by the Shelby American Legion, Post #240 of Shelby. Serving as honorary casketbearers were Paul Hines and Raymond Wendt. Casketbearers were Art Rieber, Francis Schnitker, Daniel Hines, Neil Wingert, Robert L. Hintz and Paul R. Hines. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.