

## **Alvin L. Christensen, 67 ✓**

**ELK HORN** — Alvin Lincoln Christensen, son of Alvin and Sylvia Rold Christensen was born Jan. 30, 1920 near Harlan. He was educated in the rural Shelby county schools.

On June 2, 1939, he married Ruby Carlson at Rock Port, MO. They farmed near Harlan for two years before purchasing a cream route which he operated for six years. During WWII, he served in the U.S. Navy for two years. Following the war he worked for the Crystal Springs Creamery for 28 years as a buttermaker, until he became ill in 1978. He was a member of the Altamont Baptist church, Elk Horn American Legion Post No. 322, Grove Lodge No. 492 A.F. & A.M. of Marne, past mayor and Elk Horn City Council member and a long time member of the Elk Horn Fire Dept. He has been a resident of the Salem Lutheran Nursing Home for the past nine years and died Feb. 18, 1987 at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan at age 67 years and 18 days.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a daughter, Carolyn in infancy. Survivors include his wife, Ruby of Elk Horn; three daughters, Ruth (Mrs Frank) Secord of Ft. Madison; Rosalie (Mrs Jack) Petersen of Avoca and Sandy (Mrs Steve) Rixen of Hudson, WI.; two sisters, Jean (Mrs Floyd) Blakely of LeMars; and Jackie (Mrs Calvin) Petry of Hempstead, TX.; three brothers, Dr. Earl Christensen of Scranton; Kenard Christensen of Harlan and Richard Christensen of Grass Valley, CA. He is also survived by six grandchildren; many nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Feb. 21, 1987 at Burmeister Funeral Home with Rev. David Van Gorkom, officiating. Burial was at the Altamont cemetery in Cuppy's Grove with Leo Nielsen, Bill Roberts, Lester Esbeck, Kenneth Peters, David Christensen and LaVern Fredericksen serving as casketbearers.