

Orville R. Hamdorf, 75

Oct. 6, 1921 - July 13, 1997

AVOCA - Orville Rudolph Hamdorf was born Oct. 6, 1921 in rural Shelby County, son of Rudolph and Elfrieda Jacobsen Hamdorf. He was one of six children in the family. He attended country school until the eighth grade.

He married Leora Grooms July 5, 1948 in Avoca. They were the parents of three children, Ruth, Terry and Rodney. He was engaged in farming for a number of years. He was a veteran of WW II where he served in the Navy in the South Pacific Theater of War. He was a member of both the American Legion Post and the VFW. He died July 13, 1997, at Mercy Hospital in Co. Bluffs, at age 75 years, nine months and seven days.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Rodney, and a brother, Loraine (Skeets). He is survived by his wife, Leora of Avoca; his children, Ruth Hamdorf of Co. Bluffs and his son, Terry Hamdorf of Harlan; one brother, Delner Hamdorf (Beverly) of Morrison, CO; three sisters, Orlene (Howard) Scott of Avoca; Alta (Dewey) Hansen of Harlan; Wilma Throener of West Point, NE; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held July 16, 1997, at the Knutson Funeral Chapel with Mr. Wayne Paulsen officiating. Burial was in Graceland Cemetery with military graveside services by the Avoca American Legion and V.F.W. Casket bearers were Shane Havick, Duane Johnson, Dale Klindt, Dwight Carroll, John Plagman and Mark Sieh.