

Robert Lansman, 75

May 5, 1921 - Sept. 17, 1996

HARLAN - Robert Eugene Lansman, son of Emanuel B. and Stella (Jacobsen) Lansman, was born on May 5, 1921, in Polk Township near Irwin. He graduated from Walnut High School May 19, 1938, and grew to adulthood on the family farm. May 26, 1942, he enlisted in the United States Coast Guard serving his country during World War II as an Aviation Machinist's Mate.

Aug. 8, 1945, he married Norma Mathiasen at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Jacksonville. After his honorable discharge Nov. 21, 1945, he returned to Shelby County where they began farming east of Harlan. They became the parents of two children, Jayne and Jeffrey. He was presently a member of First United Methodist Church in Harlan, serving on many church boards and committees. He served 12 years with the REC Board and 39 years on the Shelby County Farmer's Mutual Insurance Co. Board of Directors. He had also previously served as a 4-H leader and on the 4-H County Board. He died Sept. 17, 1996, at the Salem Lutheran Home in Elk Horn, at age 75 years, four months and 12 days.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Angela Lansman. Survivors include his wife, Norma of Harlan; his children, Jayne (Steven) Boeck of Kansas City, MO and Jeffrey (Sandra) Lansman of Harlan; five grandchildren; one brother, Harold (Donna) Lansman of Harlan and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Sept. 20, 1996, at Pauley Funeral Home with Rev. Paul Wilcox of First United Methodist Church in Harlan officiating. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery with Steven, Robert and Bradley Boeck and Jeffrey, Nicole, Matthew and Kristofer Lansman casket bearers.