

Justin J. Larsen, 90

Dec. 10, 1903 - Nov. 19, 1994

Harlan - Justin James Larsen, son of Jens and Mary (Christensen) Larsen was born Dec. 10, 1903 on a farm near Rorbeck. At about age five, he moved with his parents to Burke, SD, living there for three years before moving to Trip County, SD where his father farmed and operated a blacksmith shop. It was in SD he grew to adulthood.

Feb. 19, 1925 he married Agnes Sharkey in Clearfield, SD. To this union three sons and four daughters were born. They farmed in Trip county for nine years before moving back to Shelby County and located near Cuppy's Grove where they farmed until retiring and moving to Harlan in 1971. He died at Myrtue Memorial Hospital Nov. 19, 1994 at age 90 years, 11 months and nine days.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a son Marvin Eugene 62 years ago, a great-grandson Benji William Larsen, three brothers Raymond, Albert and Wilmer Larsen, two sisters Mary Larsen and Elsie-Nelson. He is survived by his wife Agnes of Harlan, two sons Darrel (Agnes) and Dale (Elizabeth) both of Harlan, four daughters Marlene Sondergaard of Harlan, Mary (Charles) Gardiner of Olathe, KS, Evelyn (Lyle) Henriksen of Corning, and Juliene (Harold)



Johnson of Harlan, one brother Dwight Larsen of San Juan Capistrano, CA and one sister Esther Clizbe also of San Juan Capistrano, CA, 19 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Nov. 22, 1994 at the Pauley Funeral Home with Msgr. Edward Kelly of St. Michael's Catholic Church officiating. Burial was in the Harlan cemetery with Michael Sharkey, Carl Peters, Floyd Chambers, Jack Carmichael and Steve Sharkey honorary casket bearers. Casket bearers were William D. Larsen, Dale Larsen, Michael P. Larsen, Mark Henriksen, Wade Jensen, John J. Larsen and David Gardiner.