

## **Gerald George Lorenzen, 84**

*June 1, 1910 - Dec. 28, 1994*

**Avoca** - Gerald George Lorenzen was born on a farm north of Avoca on June 2, 1910. He was the son of George and Hulda Braasch Lorenzen and he was one of three children in the family. He attended country school through the 8th grade.

He married Bernice Pritchard Sept. 8, 1934. They started farming in 1934 and he also was engaged in local trucking. They spent many years on their farm northeast of Avoca. They were the parents of two sons; Gary and Dennis. They retired from farming and moved to Avoca. For several years he picked up and delivered parts for Jerry Mez Implement Company. In 1991, they moved to Peace Haven Retirement Home in Walnut and in 1992, they became residents of the Salem Lutheran Homes in Elk Horn. He was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church in Avoca. He died at Myrtue Memorial Hospital Dec. 28, 1994 at age 84 years, 6 months and 26 days.

He was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his wife, Bernice of Elk Horn, their two sons; Gary Lorenzen (Ruth) of West Des Moines; Dennis Lorenzen (Georgina) of Kearney, MO, seven grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, one brother, Dalmer Lorenzen (Mabel) of Avoca, one sister, Ethelyn Eland of Broomfield, CO, nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Jan. 2, 1995 at the Trinity Lutheran Church, Avoca with Pastor Paul Bengtson and Lay assistant Wayne Paulsen officiating. Burial was in the Graceland cemetery. Casket bearers were: Jerry Mez, Eldon Riesgaard, Richard McLaughlin, Russell Haworth, Herbert Holtz and Fred Holtz. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.