

Roland A. Petersen, 89

Nov 12, 1911 – March 9, 2001

ELKHORN—Roland A. Petersen, son of Peter A. and Mary Petersen, was born Nov 12, 1911, in Elk Horn. He attended Clay #2 and Elk Horn High School.

June 4, 1933, he married Irma A. Christensen. Roland was a lifelong resident of Shelby County and farmed for 40 years. He served on the Marne Elk Horn Telephone Company Board as Secretary for 33 years. He also served on the Shelby County Board of Education from 1951 to 1960. He was Secretary of Elk Horn – Kimballton School District from 1964 to 1977. He was co-owner of Elk Horn Realty for 24 years. He served as Treasurer for the First Baptist Church of Elk Horn for 31 years. He retired from farming and moved to Elk Horn in 1971. March 9, 2001, he died at his home in Elk Horn, at age 89 years.

Roland was preceded in death by his parents and eight siblings: Esther, Edna, Vera, Emery, Clara, Harry, Floyd and Erma Lois. He is survived by his wife Irma; son Lynn (Joyce) Petersen of Elk Horn; daughters Julie (Dean) Flesner of Bloomington, IL and Dixie (Rodney) Knowles of Roswell, GA; seven grandchildren: Brian (Lisa) Petersen of Rochester, MN; Kim (Jeff) Mossman of Eldora; Kevin (Carrie) Petersen of Walnut; Shery (Andy) Dishman and Sandy (Scott) Beetler all of Marietta, GA; and Roddy and Chris Knowles of Roswell, GA; ten great grandchildren; Andrea, Jenna and Reed Petersen; Melissa, Clarke and Emily Mossman; Kendall and Kyle Petersen; Jackson and Emery Beetler; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held March 12, 2001 at the First Baptist Church, Elk Horn with Pastor Mike Marcum officiating. Burial was in the Harlan cemetery. Honorary casketbearers were; Ken Potts, Dale Juelsgaard, Norman Juelsgaard, Leo Kragelund Don Hoover, and James Sorensen. Casket bearers were; Stanley Christensen, Howard Sorensen, Tom Potts, Don Gibson, Burton Esbeck and Warren Jacobsen. Ohde Funeral Home, Kimballton in charge of arrangements.

