

## John H. Rasmussen, 74

*July 31, 1927 - Feb. 27, 2002*

**HARLAN** — John Harold Rasmussen, son of Henry and Lillie (Pederson) Rasmussen, was born July 31, 1927; on a farm in Jackson Township. He was a baptized member of the United Methodist Church and attended Jackson No. 3 country school. He grew to adulthood on his parent's farm. He began trucking at the age of 16 years.

He married Darlene Larson in 1948, in Minneapolis, MN. Two children were born to this union, Diane and Ricky. After their marriage, they continued to reside in Jackson Township where they farmed until 1976. They then moved to Harlan, where he worked at the Harlan Municipal Utilities as a water plant operator until his retirement in March of 1990. He then worked part-time for Hinline Furniture Store also located in Harlan. He died Feb. 27, 2002, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 74 years, six months and 27 days.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a granddaughter, Kaylene Marie. Survivors include his wife, Darlene of Harlan; his children, Diane (Larry) Allen of Elk Horn; Ricky Rasmussen (Zeliana) of Harlan; three grandchildren; four great grandchildren; his brother and sister, Frank Rasmussen (Marsha) of Ankeny; Connie Petersen of Panama City, FL; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held March 2, 2002, at Pauley Funeral Home with the Revs. Paul Wilcox and Eric Nielsen officiating. Burial was in the Jacksonville Cemetery with Kenny Olsen, Leroy Anastasi, Dean Eilts, Galen Sorensen, Eugene "Pete" Petersen and Ron Newcomb honorary casket bearers. Casket bearers were Rick Mounkes, Corey Rasmussen, Scott Dunfield, Aric Rasmussen, Dan Olson and Carlyle Larson.

