

Carl A. Rieber, 89

April 24, 1908 - Dec. 8, 1997

SHELBY - Carl August Rieber was born April 24, 1908, on a farm southwest of Hancock. He was the son of Mathias and Augusta Wolfe Rieber and was one of eight children in the family. He attended country school through the 5th grade, when he quit to help his father with the farming.

He married Mary Newland May 1, 1943, at Papillion, NE. He farmed for Stanley Danker for 20 years as well as working on various other farms in the area. He also operated a trucking business for 13 years, farmed and raised livestock. They were the parents of four children, Mathias, Arthur, Beatrice and Elizabeth. He served in the Army during World-War II and was a member of the American Legion Post #240 in Shelby. Mary died June 25, 1978. They had moved into Shelby in 1968, and Carl retired in 1985. In 1997, he became a resident of the Salem Lutheran Nursing Home in Elk Horn, and the past few weeks has been a resident of Community Care North in Co. Bluffs, where he died Dec. 8, 1997, at age 89 years, seven months and 14 days.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Mary; a granddaughter, Theresa Rieber; three sisters, Alvina Rieber, Alma Stuhr and Ella Rieber; and four brothers, Pete, Herman, Walt and Oscar. He is survived by his children, Mathias Rieber of Shelby; Arthur Rieber (Pauline) of Neola; Beatrice Rieber of Co. Bluffs and Elizabeth (Jeff) Campbell of Bessemer City, NC; seven grandchildren; four great grandchildren; a brother, Harry Rieber (Kathryn) of Minden; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Dec. 13, 1997, at the Silver Creek United Methodist Church, Hancock, with Rev. Dr. Judy E. Flanegin officiating. Burial was in the Silver Valley Cemetery, Hancock. Military graveside services by the Shelby American Legion Post #240. Honorary casket bearers were Stanley Danker and William Stortenbecker. Casket bearers were LeRoy Hansen, Gerald Danker, Peter Danker, Ronnie Kay, Delbert Krummel and Ron Lockhart. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.