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## Robert M. Scott, 66 ale

DEFIANCE — Robert Melvin Scott, son of Frank and Elizabeth (Luxford) Scott was born near Defiance on Oct. 28, 1890. He was baptized in the Defiance Methodist church, and attended Union No. 1 country school until 8th grade, and then attended Defiance public school.

On May 21, 1913, he married Theresa Ellen Wetzel at her parents home in Manilla. Four daughters were born to this union. After their marriage, they farmed the home place near Defiance, which was recognized as a Century Farm in 1986. After he retired from farming in 1960, they moved into Harlan. They became residents of the Baptist Memorial Home in 1971. After she died on Jan. 10, 1972, he continued to reside at the Baptist Memorial Home, and it was there that he died Jan. 17, 1987 at age 96 years, two months and 20 days. He was an active member of the Defiance United Methodist church where he held many church offices including secretary for over 29 years.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by his daughter, Irene; his sisters, Laura, Agnes and Jennie; one brother, Ivan; and a grandson, Robert Charles Pedersen in April of 1966. He is survived by three daughters, Mildred (Mrs Elmer) Pedersen of Carnarvon; Roberta (Mrs J.D. Bradley) of Oceanside, CA. and Frances (Mrs Clifford) Justice of Irwin; eight grandchildren; six great grandchildren; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Jan. 20, 1987 at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan with Pastor Walter Bernard of the Defiance United Methodist church, officiating. Burial was in the Union Twp. cemetery, Defiance with Jim Justice, John Justice, David Outhouse, Clifford Axland, Leslie Outhouse and Oscar L. Riesland serving as casketbearers. Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan was in charge of arrangements.