

Alvin John Schnack, 82

July 14, 1914 - Jan. 15, 1997

HARLAN - Alvin John Schnack, son of Charley and Alvena (Piagman) Schnack, was born July 14, 1914, in rural Harlan. He attended Tennant (Iowa) Schools, graduating from Tennant High School in 1931.

Jan. 29, 1936, he married Twyla Kullborn at the Methodist Parsonage in Harlan. For many years, the couple farmed southwest of Harlan. They moved into Harlan in Oct., 1990, and he became a resident of the Baptist Memorial Home in Harlan in July, 1992. He was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Harlan for many years, and served on church boards. He was a longtime member (50+ years) of the Odd Fellows Lodge #267, Harlan. Alvin served his community in many ways, including being a County School Board member during the 1950's, a Myrtue Memorial Hospital Board member from 1958-1976, and a 4-H leader for many years. He was honored by being named Master Farmer in Iowa in 1958. He died Jan. 15, 1997, at the Baptist Memorial Home at age 82 years, six months and one day.

Preceding him in death were his parents. Survivors include his wife of nearly 61 years; Twyla Schnack of Harlan; three sons, Larry (Carol) Schnack of Eau Claire, WI; Vernon (Pat) Schnack of Harlan and Charles (Judy) Schnack of Hartley; one daughter, Charlene (Judd) Freeman of Ames; 13 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Jan. 17, 1997, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Harlan, with Pastor Jon Benson officiating. Honorary casket bearers were Tami Swank, Jean Sevcik, Lorrie Snowden, Rachele DeVore and Jennifer Schnack. Casket bearers were Lon Freeman, Bryce Freeman, Jeff Schnack, Mark Schnack, Kevin Schnack, Jason Schnack, Monte Schnack and Jonas Schnack. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery. Burmeister Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

