

Edward Stowe, 82

March 22, 1920 - Nov. 17, 2002

HARLAN – Charles Edward Stowe was born to Bulah Mae (Callow) and Leonard C. Stowe, March 22, 1920, on a farm in Audubon County near Gray. He attended school in Harlan, and was a member of the Harlan High School graduating class of 1938. Following graduation, Ed worked in his father's produce business.

May 30, 1939, he married Betty Lou Pierce. To this union three sons were born. The young couple made their home in Harlan where Ed worked for his father in the Stowe Red E Mix Concrete operation. In 1974, he expanded the concrete business by purchasing a plant in Avoca. He remained actively involved in the business until 1984. He also was the principle behind the Stowe Court real estate development in Harlan. He was a member of the United Methodist Church in Harlan. Ed died Nov. 17, 2002, at his home at age 82 years, seven months and 25 days.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his twin brother, Herbert Stowe. He is survived by his wife, Betty Lou Stowe of Harlan; sons, Gary Stowe (Susan) of Phoenix, AZ; Donald Stowe (Janice) of Harlan and Timothy Stowe and his fiancée, Linda Mehaffey of Avoca; four grandchildren; four great grandchildren; four step grandchildren; sister, Bonnie Veskerna of Leawood, KS; sisters-in-law, Alice Stowe of Bethany, MO and Shirley Schoeppner of Carroll; brother-in-law, Norman W. Nelson of Harlan; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Nov. 20, 2002, at Pauley Funeral Home with the Rev. Ed Frank officiating. Inurnment will take place in the Harlan Cemetery at a later date.

