

## Orville F. Turner, '82

**AVOCA** - Orville Fay Turner was born at Oakland on March 25, 1906. He was the son of Ira and Allie May Thomas Turner. He was one of five children in the family. He attended country school near Oakland until the family moved to the Hastings, Iowa area where he attended High School and he graduated with the Class of 1924. After high school he farmed with his father near Hastings, then moved to a farm near Oakland.

He married Ethel Carse on Feb. 5, 1930, at her family home in Carson. They farmed six miles west of Carson until 1944, when they moved to their farm west of Avoca. They were the parents of one daughter, Linda. In 1973, they retired from farming and moved to their home in Avoca. He was a member of the United Church of Avoca, served on the board of directors for Farm Service and also served on the county election committee for several years. After his retirement he worked for Farm Service in Avoca until suffering a stroke. They enjoyed traveling in their motor home until his health began to fail. He died at the Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan, Aug. 28, 1988 at 82 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother Mervin Turner. He is survived by his wife Ethel of Avoca; their daughter Linda (Mrs LaVern) Holtmyer of Harlan; three grandchildren; one sister Mrs Leafy Leader of Atlantic; two brothers Max Turner of Red Oak and Ned Turner of Essex; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were Aug. 31, 1988 at the United Church of Avoca with Rev. Robert Houser officiating. Burial was in the Graceland cemetery in Avoca with Balzer Kriegel, Harold Davis, Clarence Hinz, Harry Krohn, Larry Torrey and Harold Nielsen as honorary bearers. Serving as casket bearers were Max Klindt, John Scheffler, James Leslie, Herbert Henningsen, Dick Olsen and Gerald Peck. Berthusen-Knutson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.