



THE LIFE STORY OF —

Bruce W. Ouren, 51

Harlan — Bruce William Ouren, son of Horace Wayne and Nelle Fleur Kinzel Ouren, was born in Harlan on Sept. 5, 1926. As a young boy, he moved with his parents to Belle Fourche, So. Dak., and this was his home until 1940 when the family returned to Harlan. He attended the Harlan high school, graduating in 1945 and then attended Colorado University for two years.

On June 30, 1951, he married Joanne Ruby in St. Paul's Episcopal church in Harlan. Four children were born to this union. After their marriage, Mr and Mrs Ouren made their home in Harlan. Bruce joined the Shelby County Abstract in 1947 where he developed the Ouren Insurance and Real Estate business. In 1973 the Ouren Agency merged with the Parker Insurance Agency to form The Agency. Bruce died at the North Kansas City Memorial hospital in North Kansas City, Mo. on June 9, 1978 at age 51 years, 9 months and four days.

He was a long time member of St. Paul's Episcopal church in Harlan where he served as Lay Reader and Vestryman. He was also a member of the Parian Lodge No. 321, A.F. and A.M. of Harlan and the Abu-Bekr Temple, Shrine of Sioux City. He was an Independent Insurance Agent and served as a past member of the Park and Recreation Board.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Gail F. Ouren. His survivors include his wife, Joanne, of Harlan; two sons - Thomas of Bondurant, and Greg of Omaha; two daughters - Pam (Mrs Stan Heese) of Carthage, Mo., and Elizabeth Ouren of Des Moines; and two grandchildren; by a brother, H. W. "Bud" Ouren of Harlan; a sister, Mary Ellen (Mrs Robert Jones) of Jacksonville, Fla.; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan on Monday, June 12, 1978 with Rev. Glenn E. Rankin, pastor of St. Paul's Episcopal church in Harlan, officiating. Burial was in the Harlan cemetery, with Leo Hough, Jack Lewis, Gage Walter, Si Mathiasen, Max L. Plumb, R. L. Tredway, William O. Lewis and Don (Duffy) Christensen as honorary bearers and Stan M. Heese, Rand F. Ouren, Thomas H. Ouren, H. W. "Bud" Ouren, Gregory Bruce Ouren, and Dean L. Frederickson serving as casketbearers.