

Wallace Poynter, 73

Harlan — Wallace Woods Poynter, son of Sadie Woods and Edward Taylor Poynter was born March 26, 1908, near Irwin. He died on Saturday, April 11, 1981, at the Veterans hospital, Omaha at age 73 years and 15 days.

He attended Jefferson twp. school no. 3 and the Irwin high school. As a young man he was a tank driver and delivered seed corn. In 1934, he married Gladys Groat. This union was blessed with one son. He worked for 20 years for the Farmers Mutual Telephone Co., interrupted only by WW II, where he served with the Army in the European Theatre, receiving five Battle Stars and a Purple Heart.

On July 9, 1957, he married Florence Meier at Lincoln, Neb. Before his retirement, he had been employed with Harlan Contracting as a carpenter. Mr Poynter was a member of the Irwin Methodist church and the Harlan American Legion Post No. 150.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife Gladys and one sister, Mrs Edna Monson. Survivors include his wife Florence of Harlan; one son, Nedric and his wife, Mary Ellen of Ripley, TN. and one sister, Mrs LaVerne Steenhusen of Irwin; by two grandchildren; William Wallace and Marie Elaine Poynter; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 14, 1981 at Burmeister Funeral Home with Pastors Leon Wallace and David E. Cave, officiating. Burial was in the Oak Hill cemetery, Irwin, with Jerome Gau, Joe Maiwald, Earl Berdine, Lowell Philson, Donald Brundige and Robert Brundige serving as casketbearers.