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Johnny Bladt, 89 × Nov. 16, 1902 – Feb. 14, 1992

HARLAN – Johnny Bladt was born on Nov. 16, 1902 on a farm south of Shelby in Pottawattamie County. He was the son of Jurgen and Magdelena Blumer Bladt. He was one of 10 children born to that union. He attended Frum Country School south of Shelby for six years then went to Shelby School and completed the 9th grade. He worked for many farmers and lived on his own farm.

He married Ida Dahl Aug. 20, 1947. He raised cattle, hogs, sheep, chickens and grain. Ida died April 22, 1987. He lived alone until he entered the Baptist Memorial Home in Harlan, Oct. 2, 1991.

He died Feb. 14, 1992 at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan at age 89 years, 2 months and 29 days.

He is preceded in death by his parents; his sisters, Minnie Jetschat, Elizabeth Sindt, Mary Haas, Ella Bladt and Lena Messerschmidt; his brothers, George, Daniel and Fred Bladt and an infant brother. Survivors include sisters-in-laws, Lucy M. Dahl and Alma M. McDermott; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Feb. 18, 1992 at the Knutson Funeral Chapel in Avoca with Rev. Vince Nelson, officiating. Burial was in the Shelby cemetery. Casketbearers were: Frank Evans, Robert Buck Sr., Steve Evans, Delmar Von Eschen, Don Von Eschen and Keith Dahir. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.