

Maurice Campbell, 90

March 12, 1907 - Nov. 10, 1997

IRWIN - Maurice Robert Campbell, son of James A. and Edith P. (Woods) Campbell, was born March 12, 1907, in Defiance. He was raised four and one-half miles west of Irwin, and graduated from Irwin High School in 1925.

Aug. 14, 1929, in Avoca, he married Cora Mae Axland. For 50 years, from 1930-1980, the couple farmed on Maurice's grandfather's home place. At that time, Maurice's son-in-law, Robert Ahrenholtz, took over the farming duties and Maurice and Mae retired. Mae died Dec. 28, 1991, in Co. Bluffs. He was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Irwin, and sat on the boards of the FHA, Soil Conservation Commission, Shelby County Cattle Breeders Association, Farmers Mutual Cooperative Telephone Company and the Farmers Savings Bank of Irwin. In 1995, Maurice became a resident of the Baptist memorial Home. He died Nov. 10, 1997, in Harlan at age 90 years, seven months and 29 days.

Preceding him in death were his parents; his wife, Mae Campbell; and one brother, Howard Campbell. Survivors include one daughter, Marjorie (Robert) Ahrenholtz of Harlan; two brothers, Ralph (Irene) Campbell of Irwin and Floyd Campbell of Defiance; one sister, Arlene Campbell of Defiance; a nephew, Marwin (Joanne) Rogers of Hordville, NE, who lived with Maurice and Mae from 1951-58; three grandchildren, Alan (Jody) Ahrenholtz of Woodbine; Dale Ahrenholtz of Santa Fe, NM and Leann (Roger) Saylor of Treynor; six great grandchildren and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Nov. 13, 1997, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Irwin, with Pastor Sidney Flack officiating. Casket bearers were Norman Campbell, Vernon Campbell, Lyle Campbell, Marvin Campbell, Larry Campbell, Allan Ickes and Eugene Sleister. Burial was in the Oak Hill Cemetery in Irwin. Burmeister Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.