

Leonard Petersen, 89

April 13, 1908 - Feb. 2, 1998

FONTANA, CA - Leonard A. Petersen, son of Peter N. Petersen and Anna Siemissen Petersen, was born April 13, 1908, in Cuppy's Grove. He died Feb. 2, 1998 of pneumonia at Mountainside Rehabilitation Center in San Bernardino, CA. The family moved to a farm west of Irwin where he attended school, and was a starting guard on the 1926 Iowa Class B State Championship Basketball team. He moved to California where he worked as a smelter of gold for ASARCO, Inc. in Seeley for 30 years. He was a member of the American Smelters and Refiners Assoc. and Union.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Carrie; brothers, Edward and Alfred. Survivors include his daughter, Susan Methany (Jack) of Fontana, CA; his sister, Elnora Grun of Long Beach, CA; his sister-in-law, Anna Petersen in the Baptist Memorial Home; three grandchildren; three step grandchildren; five great step grandchildren and other relatives.

He donated his body to medical science. A private memorial service will be held at a later date.