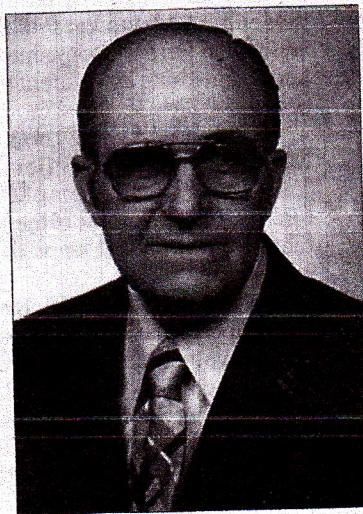


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Nels A. Christensen



Nels A. Christensen, 91 of Irene died May 10, 2006 at Sunset Manor Avera Health Nursing Home in Irene.

Nels was born in rural Viborg on March 21, 1915 to Neils and Sena (Groveholt) Christensen. He was baptized in his home and confirmed in Meldahl Lutheran Church. He attended Lonestar Country School through 8th Grade. He farmed with his

parents until opening a café in Marion, SD.

On July 22, 1939, he married Doris L. Poppe of Marion in Rock Rapids, Iowa. To this union one daughter was born.

Nels owned a bowling alley in Crofton, Nebraska until returning to South Dakota to farm for 18 years. They moved to East Moline, Illinois and he worked at International Harvester until his retirement in 1977. They moved back to Turkey Ridge, South Dakota where he enjoyed his hobby of wood carving and playing cards with family and friends.

In May of 2000, they moved to the Sunrise Villa in Irene. Doris passed away in October 2000. He remained in the Villa until entering Sunset Manor Nursing Home in January of 2006.

He is survived by his daughter Geraldine Olsen of Irene, granddaughters Teri Ducheneaux of Canton, SD, Penny Dickes of Vermillion,

Becky Nutley of Irene and Heidi Jennings of Pierre, SD, also ten great-grandchildren along with several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife Doris, son-in-law Roger Olsen, great-grandchild Darick Ducheneaux, four brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services were held Friday, May 12, at Calvary Lutheran Church in Irene. Burial followed at Hillcrest Cemetery, Irene.
