

Hordville open house honors Carlson

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An open house was held in Hordville Friday for Glenn Carlson who retired from the Farmers Co-op Elevator in Hordville after 25 years of service.

Friends, relatives and co-workers dropped by the elevator during the day to wish Carlson well. They also got to take a look at two gifts from the company, a gold watch and a plaque which read: "To Glenn Carlson, in appreciation for 25 years as an employee of Farmers Co-op Elevator at Hordville, 1961-1986."

Carlson went to work at the elevator on Oct. 1, 1961.

He was born just a mile west and a half mile south of where the celebration was going on. And he has lived in Hordville all his life. He has been a farmer much of that time.

He and his wife, Evelyn, have three sons, Don of Hampton, Larry of Grand Island and Dale of Central City. Mrs. Carlson retired earlier from her job, working in the kitchen at the Hordville school. She was there 25 years.

Among the visitors were Carlson's sister, Erma Habe of Ravenna and her husband, George; his sons, and grandson, Ronny. Santa Claus also dropped by.

Carlson knows something about that visitor; he has been the Hordville Santa Claus for the past 10 years or so.

What's he going to do in retirement? No special plans, he said. He'll be around if anyone, including the folks at the elevator, needs help. He's retired once before.



GLENN AND EVELYN CARLSON of Hordville take time out from visiting with friends and relatives for a photo. The picture was taken Friday at Carlson's retirement party at the Farmers Co-op Elevator in Hordville. News-Register Photo by Hap Fruits.

Glenn Carlson retires from Hordville Co-op

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Glenn Carlson, an employee at the Farmers Co-Operative Association in Hordville, has announced plans to retire this month.

Carlson has worked the past 23 years at the Hordville Elevator. He plans to keep his hands in the operation for a while longer by working about ten days or two weeks of each month starting in January.

Glenn is a native of the Hordville area and has never lived more than a few miles from his job for the past 23 years.

He attended School District 94 and then began farming with his father, Arvid Carlson. The farm included grain, cattle and milk cows, hogs and chickens.

Glenn is one of three children born to the Arvid Carlsons. The others are a sister, Mrs. Erma Habe of Ravenna and a brother Gerald of Lincoln.

Glenn was married to the former Evelyn Reed of Aurora. They went to farming. First they farmed east of Hordville and then just south of town and finally north of Hordville, "just on top of the hill" before dropping into the Platte River valley.

In 1961, Glenn and Evelyn moved to Hordville and Glenn began his career at the elevator which is either the third or fourth oldest cooperative elevator in the state of Nebraska.

Glenn has helped with the handling, storage and shipping of grain and also

helped with the merchandising of feed and coal.

He has one of the few coal-fired furnaces in his home. The school and the grocery store are both still coalfire heated.

The addition of storage and drying facilities and the 25-car siding on the Union Pacific Railroad are among the most important changes in the elevator work over the years.

Trucks and railroad cars have both gotten bigger since Glenn started his elevator career.

In his retirement days, Glenn plans to spend more time fishing and hunting and visiting with the Carlson sons including Dale in Stromsburg, Larry in Grand Island and Don in Aurora.

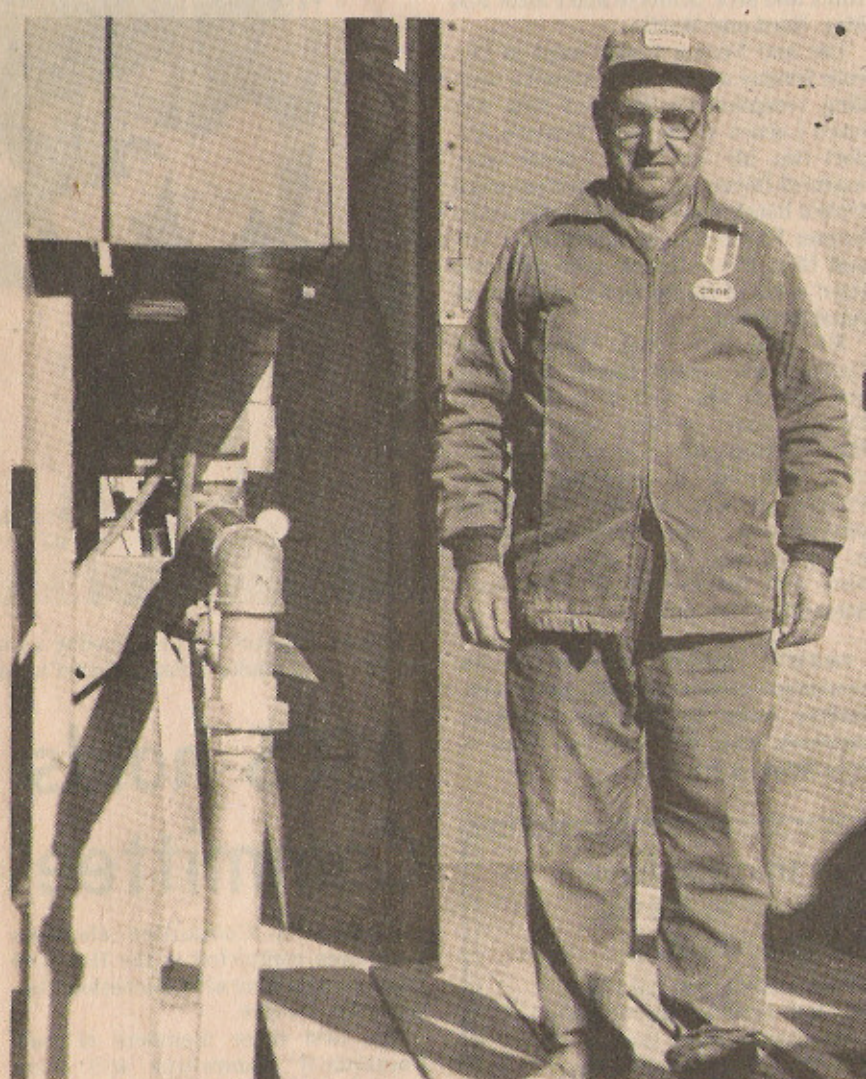
There are seven grandchildren including four girls and three boys.

Mrs. Carlson is presently recovering from hip surgery. She is able to walk and ride in the car. She still uses a cane when she is outside.

Evelyn enjoys growing plants and flowers in her spare time.

Glenn said he has enjoyed the 23 years of working at the elevator and helping area residents with their grain handling and fertilizer needs.

He plans to "go visiting" when he wants too and to stay in Hordville where his area friends are and he'll be seeing them during those 10 to 14 days he plans to work each month for a while.



FARMERS CO-OP Association employee Glenn Carlson of Hordville has completed 23 years of service to area farmers and is taking his retirement but will still be working part time. Carlson was a farmer in the Hordville area before working for the elevator. —News-Register Photo by Forrest Hosier.

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