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HARVEY KEEP - BLACKSMITH

From the earliest times, blacksmiths kept farms functioning by building their equipment, making critical repairs and shoeing their horses.

Harvey Keep served the community as blacksmith for 74 years.

Originally taking over his uncle Fred Carr's Vineland blacksmith shop in 1919, he later moved the business here to his home property in 1967.

The essential service he and his fellow blacksmiths provided helped lay the foundation for the successful agricultural sector in this area today.

Despite the blacksmith shop's importance to farmers, it is said, Harvey always gave preference to doctors and preachers!

When Harvey Keep died in 1980, he was the last full-time working blacksmith in the Town of Lincoln and he ended his career in this very building.



