

In Loving Memory



Harold Van Book

Memorial Services from
Hackett-Livingston Funeral Home
Shenandoah, Iowa
Saturday, January 11, 2014
11:00 a.m.

Words of Comfort
Pastor Rick Sleyster

Memorial Register
Wanda Book

Music
"The Way We Were"
"And The Band Played On"

Inurnment
Rose Hill Cemetery
Shenandoah, Iowa

Military Rites
Shenandoah American Legion

Memorials
Wabash Trace Nature Trail



Harold Van Book was born to Grace and Mark Book on Nov. 13, 1917 at the family farm near Shenandoah. He passed away Jan. 7, 2014 at Nebraska Medical Center at the age of 96.

He attended Lone Star country school and graduated from Shenandoah High School in 1936. He then started farming with his father.

He served in the army during World War II.

During that time he married Mary Rose Leahy of Imogene in Salt Lake City. Three children were born James, Patricia, and Mary Virginia who passed in infancy.

Harold farmed all his life starting as a renter and eventually owning his own land. He also worked in electronics, first repairing television and later selling and repairing business radios including for the Shenandoah Fire and Police and Hackett Funeral Home.

Harold enjoyed many hobbies. He and his brother Bob enjoyed flying a Piper Cub. He was ham radio operator W0SPP. He was also an avid fisherman, gardener, and camping enthusiast. He traveled to Alaska on the Alcan Highway and later a train trip through Copper Canyon in Mexico. His later winters were spent at a fishing camp in Florida.

Family was important. In later years Grandpa Book would host Bookfest each fall. Family would gather for apple picking, cider pressing and home made wine tasting.

Harold was preceded in death by his wife of 67 years Mary Rose, infant daughter Mary Virginia, sister Virginia Lynn, brother-in-law Lowell Lynn and brother Robert Book.

Survivors include son James Book, wife Vicky, grandson Steve Book (Ann) great grandchildren Nathan and Evan. Granddaughter Beth Seiler (Steve) and a much anticipated great granddaughter, all of Kansas City. Daughter Patricia Demarest (James) of Durango, CO, grandson James (Elisa), granddaughter Kathryn, fiance Will Connor, and Jennifer all of Denver. He is also survived by sister-in-law Wanda Book and numerous nieces and nephews.



In Remembrance

Services Entrusted to:
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