

*In
Loving Memory*



James M. Stoddard

Born
December 6, 1923
Bingham, Iowa

Entered Into Rest
January 1, 2001
Shenandoah, Iowa

Age
77 Years, 26 Days

Life Celebration
Thursday, January 4, 2001
Selby Funeral Chapel
Shenandoah, Iowa

Words of Comfort
Rev. Marcia Gilbert
Full Gospel Assembly of God Church

Memory Register
Mary Lou Holdridge

Soloist
Rev. Marcia Gilbert

Musical Selections
“He The Pearly Gates Will Open”
“Leaning On The Everlasting Arms”

Casket Bearers
Barry Bishop
Carroll Bishop
Wes Gilbert
Lyle Green
Steve Stoddill
Chris Whitehill

Final Resting Place
Rose Hill Cemetery
Shenandoah, Iowa

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***The Twenty-Third Psalm***

*The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.  
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:  
He leadeth me beside the still waters.  
He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the paths  
of righteousness for His name's sake.  
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the  
shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for Thou art  
with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.  
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence  
of mine enemies: Thou anointest my head with oil:  
my cup runneth over.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the  
days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the  
Lord forever.*

## James M. Stoddard

James Merle Stoddard, the son of Ralph and Nancy (Benefiel) Stoddard, was born December 6, 1923, in Bingham, IA, and passed away January 1, 2001, in Shenandoah, IA.

Jim grew up in Shenandoah and received his education in the Shenandoah school system. On October 31, 1945, he joined the Army Air Force and was attached to the 383<sup>rd</sup> Fighter Sq., 364<sup>th</sup> Fighter Group until October 31, 1945. While in the service, Jim met Rachel Bernstein. They were married October 2, 1945 in Bury St. Edmons, England, and to this union, three daughters, Nancy, Norma and Patty Jo were born.

During Jim's working career he was associated with Squires Locker, B.F. Goodrich, and owned and operated the Home Oil (Texaco) Company. After retirement he continued operating the tank wagon service for Phillip 66 and then spent 5 years as a guard for the Clarinda Prison.

Jim was a member of the Full Gospel Assembly of God Church and the American Legion Post #88. He served on the Veterans Board of Commission for Page County and the Zoning Board for the city of Shenandoah. Whenever he could, Jim loved spending time on the farm.

Preceding Jim in death were his parents; grandsons, Lance McConkey and Bryan James Bishop; brothers, Thomas and Richard Hartman; and sisters, Mabel Eakin, Louise Benefiel and Grace Wegner.

Survivors include his wife Rachel (Ray) Stoddard of Shenandoah; Daughters, Nancy Walter and husband, Jim, of Glendale, AZ, Norma Bishop and husband, Carroll, of Pella, IA, Patty Jo Whitehill and husband, Chris of Aurora, CO; grandchildren, Heath McConkey of Glendale, AZ, Barry Bishop of Colorado Springs, CO and Lance and Jesse Whitehill of Aurora, CO; great granddaughter, Alexia Rae McConkey and one sister, Donna Harper and her husband, Jim, of Clarinda, IA.

*Services Entrusted To  
Selby Funeral Chapel  
Shenandoah, Iowa*

