

Chester Glen Stambaugh was born October 31, 1934 near Shenandoah, Iowa, the son of Glen S. and Emma Marie (Rist) Stambaugh. He passed away early Tuesday morning, December 11, 2012 at the Shenandoah Medical Center following a lengthy illness at the age of 78 years, 1 month and 11 days.

Chester grew up in rural Shenandoah and graduated from Shenandoah High School in 1953. On October 28, 1956 he was united in marriage to Ellen Luetta Phillis in Coin, Iowa. This union was blessed with two children; Ernie and Chet.

Chester worked as the camera man at Jay Drug in Shenandoah for ten years. He then farmed throughout southwest Iowa settling between Clarinda and Villisca in Taylor County in March of 1982. He had been a member of the Jay Cee's in Shenandoah and the Norwich United Methodist Church where he was active with the youth group. Chester loved being in the outdoors hunting and fishing or watching stock car racing. He enjoyed watching westerns and tinkering with old cameras. In the early 1970's, he received FHA's Outstanding Young Farmer Award.

Chester was preceded in death by his parents; sisters-in-law, Helen Marie Phillis, Glenda Phillis and Loretta Phillis; and a brother-in-law, Herbert Phillis.

Survivors include his wife, Ellen Stambaugh of Villisca, Iowa; his sons, Ernie Stambaugh of Villisca, Iowa, Chet Stambaugh and his wife Crystal of Shenandoah, Iowa; grandchildren, Alex Stambaugh of Storm Lake, Iowa, Mackenzie Gaunt of Villisca, Iowa, Allison Kinser of Shenandoah, Iowa; a brother, Jerry Stambaugh of Shenandoah, Iowa; brothers and sisters-in-law, Richard Phillis and his wife Mary Del of Elk Horn, Nebraska, Verda Selby and her husband Bob of Washington, Cline Phillis and Joyce Anson of Brea, California, Carol Jane Howe and her husband William of Elk Horn, Nebraska; along with many other nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

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