Obituary

Russel William Flynn, son of William Charles, Jr. and Lillian Inez (Maltsberger) Flynn, was born on December 23, 1916, in Page County, Iowa. He passed away on Dec. 6, 2002 at the age of 85 years, 11 months and 12 days. Russel lived his entire life in rural Shenandoah. He was a farmer most of his life. He left country school after completing the 8th grade to work as a hired farm hand to help support his family.

On May 5, 1939, he was united in marriage to Wilma Pauline Chryst in Rock Port, Missouri. This union was blessed by two daughters, Barbara Kay and Donna Rae. Russel and Wilma celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary this year.

Russel greatly enjoyed being a farmer and raising cattle. They purchased their present farm residence in the early 1950's, which allowed him to pursue his deep interest in farming. His ultimate goal was to leave his farmland in better condition than when it was purchased.

Preceding Russel in death were his parents, William and Lillian Flynn; sisters, Alice Scharp, Mable Meads, Lois Stake, Bessie Reed and his brother Willard Flynn. Survivors include his wife Wilma, daughters, Barbara Kunze and husband Martin of St. Joseph, Missouri, Donna Morey and husband John of Coralville, Iowa; grandchildren, Holly Morey, David Morey, Gayle Edwards and Stephen Kunze; great grandchildren, Ridge Russel Morey, and Chase and Cort Winder. Also surviving are his three sisters, Marie Athen and her husband Don of Shenandoah, Hazel Blakeley of Denver, Colorado, and Audrey Flynn of Omaha, Nebraska, three brothers, Willis Flynn of Spirit Lake, Iowa, Wallace Flynn and Cecil Flynn and his wife Maxine, all of Shenandoah; brother-in-law Lyle Chryst and wife Norma, of Sidney, Nebraska; a double niece Nancy Heard, numerous nieces and nephews, other relatives and many friends. Russel will be greatly missed by all of those whose lives he touched.

Following the services, the family invites you to lunch at the Country Inn Restaurant, Kernal Room, for food and fellowship.