In Loving Memory





Walter L. "Pete" Hoffman

Born
October 26, 1928
Bemidji, Minnesota

February 23, 2003 Red Oak, Iowa

Age
74 Years, 3 Months, 28 Days

Life Celebration 10:30 A.M. Wednesday, February 26, 2003 Selby Funeral Chapel Shenandoah, Iowa

> Words of Comfort Reverend Karen Bash

Memory Register
Rose & Eugene Palmer

Musical Selections
"Amazing Grace"
"Just A Closer Walk With Thee"

Honorary Bearers
Curtis Baucom
Paul Baucom
Steven Baucom
Daniel Hoffman
Joseph Hoffman
Tyler Lawrence

Military Rites
American Legion Post #88
Shenandoah, Iowa

Final Resting Place Rose Hill Cemetery Shenandoah, Iowa

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.

Walter L. Hoffman

Walter Lewis "Pete" Hoffman, the eighth child of William H. and Ethel (Goddel) Hoffman, was born October 26, 1928, in Bemidji, Minnesota, and passed away February 23, 2003, in Red Oak, Iowa.

Pete grew up in southwest Iowa, receiving his education at country schools in Adams County, Nodaway and Shenandoah. As a young man, he was involved with boxing, engaging in boxing matches in Carbon, Iowa and at the Adams County Fairs. He was paid 50 cents for boxing three two-minute rounds. He also worked on the farms of family friends and in coal minds around Carbon, Iowa.

At the onset of the Korean War, Pete enlisted in the United States Army, requesting duty in Korea, because his brother Jack was serving there. He served with the Third Armored Division and received the Presidential Unit Citation with Combat "V", Army Commendation Medal, Infantry Combat Badge, several Theater Service Medals, Army Good Conduct Medal and the Bronze Service Star. After serving in the army, Pete returned to southwest Iowa and was involved in farming and eventually became an over-the-road truck driver.

On October 21, 1957 in Clarinda, Iowa, Pete was united in marriage to Rachael Kalkas, and to this union, Ernest, Thomas, William and Donella were born. They raised their children in southwest Iowa and northern Arkansas. Pete was a person who could make people laugh; never met a person he didn't like and always had something good to say about others. He lived a humble life measuring his riches in his wife, children, grandchildren, siblings and his many friends. After his retirement, he spent most of his time playing cards, reading, fishing, and enjoying his Stanton friends as well as his children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

Preceding Pete in death were his parents; stepmother, Marie Hoffman; brothers, Tom, Dick and Dallas Hoffman; sisters, Cora French and Iva Hoffman; and grandchildren, Thomas, Tonya and Robert Hoffman.

Survivors include his wife, Rachael Hoffman of Stanton, Iowa; children and their spouses, Ernest and Paula Hoffman of Atkins, Arkansas, Thomas Hoffman of London, Arkansas, William, III and Tammie Hoffman of Stanton, and Donella and Steve Baucom of Villisca, Iowa. Also surviving are brother and sister-in-law, Jack and Sarah Hoffman, of Shenandoah, Iowa; sisters and brothers-in-law, Wanda and Willard Munson of Skidmore, Missouri, Corina and Jerry Lawrence of Blockton, Iowa, Mae Hoffman of California, sisters-in-laws, Viola Hoffman of Villisca, Jenny Hoffman of Farragut, Iowa, and Annalee Hoffman of Sacramento, California; several nieces, nephews and many friends.

Services Entrusted to Selby Funeral Chapel, Shenandoah, Iowa

