

Obituary

Melvin T. Dailey, son of B. Glen and Gladys B. (Thrapp) Dailey, was born on September 20, 1938, in Mills County, Iowa. He passed away on Saturday, September 27, 2003, at the Tabor Manor Care Center in Tabor, Iowa, at the age of 65. He attended country schools in Mills County until moving to Thayer, Iowa, in Union County, where he finished his education. The family moved to Shenandoah, Iowa, in 1955. Before moving to Shenandoah, he helped his father on the farm. After moving to Shenandoah, he worked for Johnson Welding and Bob's Millwright before buying a gravel truck. When he sold the truck he moved to Colorado Springs, Colorado, and drove for Berta Brothers Trucking. He returned to the Imogene and Randolph where he leased his truck to Hunt Transportation. On September 20, 1984, Melvin was united in marriage to Maxine (Guilliams) Kalkas at Randolph, Iowa. They made their home in Randolph following their marriage. He last drove a truck for Ring Transportation until his health forced him to retire. Mel enjoyed "tinkering" in his garage working on old tractors and cars and later selling them.

Preceding Melvin in death were his parents; son, Glen Dean; brother, Eldon Dean Dailey; and step-daughter, Tina Kalkas. Survivors include his wife, Maxine Dailey of Randolph, Iowa; two brothers, Donald E. Dailey and Raymond Dailey and his wife Dixie, all of Shenandoah, Iowa; step-children, Bonnie Stogdill, Erskine Kalkas and June Vojchegoske, all of Shenandoah, Iowa, and step-daughter, Roseanna Housh of Sidney, Iowa; numerous grandchildren; nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.