

Rudolph "Rudy" Hollander, 87

July 20, 1911 - Dec. 26, 1998

DENISON - Rudy Johann Hollander was born July 20, 1911, the son of Johann and Marie Winkelman Hollander. He died at the Eventide Lutheran Home in Denison Dec. 26, 1998 at age 87. Rudy was born in Nishnabotna Township, Crawford County, and was baptized in Christ Aug. 20, 1911 and later confirmed on April 10, 1927 at Trinity Lutheran Church, Manilla. He received his education in a rural school near his home, where he received his 8th grade diploma. After completing his education, Rudy worked on the family farm and later joined the Civilian Conservation Corps during the 1930's. His work involved the building of Springbrook State Park and Lake Wapello in Davis County.

Oct. 18, 1940 he married Margaret Beermann at the Lutheran Parsonage in Denison. To this union three children were born. He worked for area farmers in the Vail and Charter Oak area until 1943 when they moved to a farm east of Buck Grove, until retiring to Denison in 1988. The couple were honored to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary in Oct. of 1990. Margaret suffered a stroke in 1991 and made her home at the Denison Care Center until her death in 1993. Rudy made his home at the Manilla Manor and Eventide until his death. He was a member of Zion Lutheran Church, Denison. He was a dedicated farmer.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Margaret, one daughter, Eileen, in 1950, six sisters, Anna Miller Hubert, Ida Steinkuhler, Alma Heide, Martha Boger, Hulda Greder and Emma Petersen, three brothers, Harry, Bill and Albert Hollander and four siblings in infancy. Survivors include one son Duane Hollander (Eunice) of Denison; one daughter, Bonnie (John) Zimmerman of Westphalia; seven grandchildren, Bryan and David Hollander, Eileen Petersen, Brad, Sarah, Danny and Julie Zimmerman, two great grandchildren, Raechel Hollander and Coleman Petersen; in laws, Edward Bandow, Mildred and Leon Neubauer; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Dec. 29, 1998 at the Zion Lutheran Church, Denison, with Rev. Daniel Gifford officiating with burial in the Zion Lutheran Cemetery. Honorary casket bearers were Sarah Zimmerman, Coleman Petersen, Raechel Hollander, Julie Zimmerman and Eileen Petersen. Casket bearers were Danny Zimmerman, Brad Zimmerman, David Hollander, Bryan Hollander, Clarence Boger, Merlin Maack and Vernon Greder. Huebner Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.