

Maynard H. Muxfeldt, 76

March 11, 1923 – July 29, 1999

PERSIA – Maynard Hans Muxfeldt, son of Henry and Annie (Dau) Muxfeldt, was born March 11, 1923, in Cass Township, Harrison County. He attended Pleasant Hill Country School and Logan High School, graduating in 1940. After graduation, he attended Frye Aircraft School in Omaha. He then went to California hoping to work in the aircraft factories during World War II. Because of his German name and heritage, the factories would not hire him. He instead found employment at Forest Lawn Cemetery. Upon his return to Iowa, he worked for his brother on the family farm.

Aug. 11, 1946, he married Marceline Dakan. They became the parents of one daughter. After their marriage they lived for a short time in Cass Township. In 1947, they moved to a farm in Union Township. This has been his home since that time. Farming was his life. Even in retirement he was out helping whenever he could. He died at Jennie Edmondson Hospital in Co. Bluffs, July 29, 1999, at age 76 years, four months and 18 days.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife of 50 years, Marceline, and a brother, Vern. He is survived by his daughter, Sherrie (John) Lee of Avoca; three grandchildren, Ronnie Lee of Harlan; Rhonda (Rodney) Knudson of Harlan; Jeff Lee of Avoca; and two great grandchildren, Tara and Ethan Knudson of Harlan; a brother, Elmer of Fergus Falls, MN; a sister, Mildred Handbury of Harlan; sister-in-law, Naomi Muxfeldt of Woodbine; sister-in-law, Delores (James) Barney of Ashland, NE; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Aug. 2, 1999, at Pauley Funeral Home with Rev. David Erickson officiating. Burial was in the Valley View Cemetery in Persia, with Ronnie Lee, Rick Newland, Rick Olsen, Rodney Knudson, Jeff Lee and Matt Johnson casket bearers.