

Raymond Piittmann, 83

Feb. 17, 1920 - June 20, 2003

SHELBY – Raymond Marion Piittmann, son of Christian and Mary (Berge) Piittmann, was born Feb. 17, 1920, in rural Hancock. He was raised on the family farm west of Hancock and attended Hancock High School, graduating in 1937.

April 23, 1941, Raymond married Margaret Lorraine Holst in Avoca. The couple farmed east of Shelby for many years where they lived until Margaret's death in February of 1970. After his retirement, he moved to Shelby. His health then required him to live in Council Bluffs for 15 years; he was later a resident of the Country Care Center in rural Harlan. Most recently, he had lived at the Avoca Nursing and Rehab Center. Raymond was a member of the United Lutheran Church in Shelby. He died June 30, 2003, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 83 years, four months and 13 days.

Preceding Raymond in death were his parents; his wife, Margaret Lorraine Piittmann; two sons, Alan Piittmann and Eugene Piittmann; four brothers, Elmer Piittmann, Harry Piittmann, Melvin Piittmann, and Everett Piittmann; two sisters, Florence Pflugshaupt and infant Mable Piittmann; one daughter-in-law, Carol Piittmann; and one granddaughter, Michele Linder. He is survived by two sons, Delman (Norma) Piittmann of Albany, IL and Duane Piittmann of Harlan; one brother, Wilbert (Cathy) Piittmann of Oakland; three granddaughters, Cynthia Roberts of Ankeny; Kelley Piittmann of Dallas, TX; and Kristi (Robert) Regenwether of Waterloo; one grandson, Justin (Tamara) Piittmann of Council Bluffs; one step grandson, Randy (Dana) Allman of Bedford; three great grandchildren; one step great grandchild; and other relatives.

Memorial services were held July 5, 2003, at the United Lutheran Church in Shelby, with Wayne Paulsen, Lay Minister, Trinity Lutheran Church, Avoca, officiating. Burial of cremains was held in the Shelby Cemetery. Burmeister-Johannsen Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.