

Adolph Polacek, 90

Dec. 30, 1921 - May 23, 2012

SHELBY — Adolph Raymond Polacek, the son of John and Annastasia (Ostry) Polacek, was born on December 30, 1921, in Weston, NE. He was raised and attended school in Bruno, NE. Adolph joined the Army during World War II and was stationed in the Aleutian Islands.

Adolph married Matilda Sabata. Following his discharge from the Service, he lived in David City, NE, for several years. Adolph then moved to Omaha, NE, where he worked as a cabinet builder and installer for Western Laminates; he retired in 1982. In 2002, he moved to Shelby, to be closer to family. Adolph was a lifetime VFW member. He liked polka music, playing the accordion and singing, and gardening. Adolph especially enjoyed working with his hands on projects. Adolph R. Polacek died on Wednesday, May 23, 2012, at his home in Shelby, having reached the age of 90 years, 4 months, and 23 days.

Adolph was preceded in death by his parents; one brother; Louie Polacek; two sisters, Rose Vrbka and Helen Vavruska; and one infant sibling. He is survived by two sons, Rodney (Linda) Polacek and Johnnie (Karen) Schlueter, both of Shelby; one daughter, Carol Fox of Shelby; one sister, Adeline Rahn of Omaha, NE; eight grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, May 26, 2012, at the Burmeister-Johannsen Funeral Home in Shelby, with Pastor Carol J. Fox of the First Assembly of God, Harlan, officiating. Casket bearers were Jim Fox, Bill Fox, Tom Lee, Lance Buck, Paul Polacek, and Thaddeus DeBolt. Burial was in the Shelby Cemetery in Shelby, with military graveside rites performed by the American Legion Post #240 of Shelby. Condolences may be left online at www.burmeisterjohannsen.com.