



## Bill Lanphier

December 29, 1919 - March 11, 2006

Bill Lanphier: Bill passed away Saturday evening at the Pella Comfort House at the age of 86 years, 2 months and 11 days.

Bill's memory is honored by his wife, Sabra of Eddyville, IA; his four daughters and their spouses: Sandra & David Vander Linden of Carlisle, IA; Norma & Lawrence Carter of Knoxville, IA; Nancy & Rocky McDonald of Knoxville, IA; and Joyce & Steve Conner of Eddyville, IA; and a son, Bill & Christy Lanphier of Cincinnati, OH. He was blessed with 14 grandchildren, 2 step grandchildren, 19 great grandchildren, 4 step great grandchildren. He is survived by five sisters: Clara Olson of Davenport; Nella & Bert Farmer of Knoxville; Mable & Porter Boyer of Dexter, OR; Maribelle & Norman Riddle of Pella and Phyllis Van Der Veer of Oskaloosa; four brothers: Charles & June Lanphier, Kenneth & Esther Lanphier, Howard & Linda Lanphier, and Paul & Miola Lanphier, all of Oskaloosa; a sister-in-law, Mable Lanphier of Tracy; and many nieces and nephews.

William James Lanphier, son of Fred Earl & Viola Estella Johnson Lanphier was born Dec. 29, 1919 in rural Leighton, Iowa. He started his education in Harvey, in third grade the family moved to the Rochester district, where he attended through the 6th grade. Bill then attended Tracy Schools, graduating in 1941. On October 12, 1941 he married Sabra Barnhill in Lancaster,

Missouri. A few short days later, he entered the U.S. Army on October 15 and served in the European Theater of War through December 11, 1945. After his discharge, he worked as a drag line operator at area strip mines and farmed for a few years. Later he went to work at Van Gorp's in Pella, retiring in 1975. Bill enjoyed his family, fishing, raising chickens, and selling or giving away their eggs; in his younger days he enjoyed coon hunting. Bill was a member of the Bethel Baptist Church in Oskaloosa.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters: Freida Christenson and Maxine Faulkner and two brothers: Robert and Jerrold Lanphier.

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