



James William Sharp

April 15, 1917 - June 14, 2008

James William Sharp, Sr.: Jim passed away Saturday morning at the University of Iowa Hospital in Iowa City, he was 91 years, 1 month and 30 days of age.

His family includes his children and their spouses: Bernice Fenton of Oskaloosa; Rita & Harold Waddell of Oskaloosa, Marcia Parker of Moline, IL; Julie & Dennis Beadle of Alden, IA; Kathy & David Streigle of Ames, IA; Judy & Rodney Brink of Bussey, IA; Brenda & Mike Stanbro of Oskaloosa; James & Nola Sharp, Jr. of Oskaloosa and a son-in-law, Jerry Beebe of Tracy, IA; 28 grandchildren; 59 great grandchildren; and his sisters: Kathryn Ball of Oskaloosa and Betty Jane McCurdy of Winterhaven, FL.

James William Sharp, son of John and Mae Lydia Bloomfield Sharp, was born April 15, 1917 in Beacon, Iowa. Jim attended school in Beacon; at age 16, he joined the Civilian Conservation Corps, ""CC Camp"", a program to help rebuild the economy. At age 18, he joined the U.S. Calvary and after suffering an injury he joined the National Guard. He was later drafted by the Army and served in WWII. He served a total of 10 years and was awarded the European-African-Middle-Eastern Campaign Medal, the WWII Victory Medal, two Overseas Bars and the Good Conduct Medal. He married Bernice Marie Blake June 26, 1937 in Lancaster, MO and they made their home in Beacon and later Oskaloosa. Jim worked for several different companies in the area;

he lastly worked for Superior-Ideal, from which he retired in 1980. He was a past member of the Eagle's Lodge. He enjoyed hunting, trapping, working with horses and spending time with his family.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Bernice on December 11, 2001; a daughter, Linda Beebe; a great granddaughter, Jessica Parker; two brothers: John Foster and Will Sharp; a sister, Lucille Beal; and a son-in-law, Jack Fenton.

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