



John Parcell

November 7, 1921 - September 10, 2011

John Parcell: Bowling Green Arrangements: Visitation will again be held from 4-7 p.m. Wednesday, September 14 at the First Presbyterian Church in Bowling Green, MO. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday at the First Presbyterian Church with Chris Gamm officiating.

John is survived by his wife, Helen of Oskaloosa, a son & daughter-in-law, John C. & Cathy Parcell of Raytown, MO and a daughter & son-in-law, Kathy & Chris Gamm of Bowling Green, MO; a step-daughter, Cheryl Edge and her husband, Tim of Eddyville, IA; eight grandchildren: Kent Parcell, Khristina Hoover-Baxter, Matt, Nick & Sarah Gamm, Josh Nicklaus, Dan Sowers and David Sowers; and 15 great grandchildren: Andrew and Victoria Hoover, Dylan Walsh, Parker, Landon, Jersey, Justus & Dalton Gamm, Branden Doering, Rose Privett, Elijah Huber-Cooper, Braedon Nicklaus, Gavin Nicklaus, Dalton Sowers and Dustin Sowers.

John died Saturday at Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines, Iowa. John Melvin Parcell, son of Elmer D. & Catherine Gott Parcel was born Nov. 7, 1921 in Pershing, IA. He was a 1940 graduate of Oskaloosa High School. He served as a Ship's Cook First Class in the U.S. Navy during WWII in the South Pacific Theater from Sept. 16, 1942 to Oct. 30, 1945. On July 18, 1944 he married Verda Hunter. She died after 51 years of marriage in Sept. 1995. John was in the meat business most of his life; working at the A & P Tea Company

Meat Market in Burlington, IA; Albia, IA; Bowling Green, Mo; Carrolton, IL; and the IGA Meat Market in Louisiana, MO. He lived in Bowling Green, MO from 1953 to 1996, when he married Helen Force and returned to Oskaloosa. John was a member of the Presbyterian Church, where he taught Sunday school and sang in the choir. He joined the Masons in 1952 in Albia, IA; he was a Past Master and a 50 year member of the Phoenix Lodge #136 of the AF and AM and a member of the V.F.W., both in Bowling Green, MO. John enjoyed all sports and bowled for many years.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife Verda; two brothers: Earl & Charles Parcel and four sisters: Lucille Chambers, Helen Tinsley, Darlene Kerr and Catherine Treanor.

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