



Morgan Chester Vanderwilt

June 18, 1926 - February 11, 2008

Morgan Chester Vanderwilt: Chet passed away Monday evening at the Mahaska Hospital in Oskaloosa at the age of 81 years, 7 months and 24 days.

Chet's family includes his wife, Pearl Pauline Vanderwilt of Oskaloosa; his sons, Clark & Jacque Vanderwilt of Oskaloosa, Louis & Carolyn Vanderwilt of Des Moines and Jeff & Deb Vanderwilt of Oskaloosa; a granddaughter, Tammy (Chad) Smith of Oskaloosa; great grandsons, Corey Osterloh and Camron Smith; a brother, Marc (Barb) Vanderwilt of New Sharon, IA; a sister, Kim Vanderwilt of Indianapolis, IN; and nephews, Ben Vanderwilt of Pella, IA and Todd Vanderwilt of New Sharon, IA.

Morgan Chester Vanderwilt, son of Dick and Merle DeLong Vanderwilt, was born June 18, 1926 in Pella, Iowa. He was a 1944 graduate of Oskaloosa High School. He enlisted in the Merchant Marines June 13, 1945 in Minneapolis, MN. He served as a Steward's Mate Second Class until his discharge on April 21, 1947. Upon returning home he farmed with his father. November 25, 1948 he was united in marriage to Pearl Pauline Orfield. In 1955, they purchased a farm near the old Eveland Bridge along the Des Moines River. Chet began working a job in road construction in 1959 with Central Road Construction of Indianola and later worked for Manatt's Paving. While working road construction he was the saw foreman for many years. He

retired in 2003 at age 76. Chet loved nature and spending time in the woods, camping there was a special time for him.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Clair Vanderwilt.

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“ *Morgan Chester Vanderwilt*

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