Harry F. Duffus

Harry F. Duffus, 89, of Brooklyn died Friday, Aug. 6, 2010, at Brooklyn Estates.

A funeral service was held Tuesday, Aug. 10, at Smith Funeral Home with the Rev. John Reynolds officiating. Pianist was Marilyn Krieger. Casket bearers were Camel, Colton and Jon Bloom, Max Franks, Matt and Luke Ryan and John Vaverka. Burial followed in Ivy Hill Cemetery at Malcom. Memorials may be made to First Presbyterian Church in Malcom.

He was born Sept. 17, 1920, to Fred and Myrtle Fernca Duffus in Malcom. He was raised in the Brooklyn area and attended rural school near Carnforth. Following the death of his mother he was raised by Fred and Mable Slaymaker. During World War II he served in the United States Army.

On June 30, 1945, he was united in marriage with Dorothy Schaffer in Maryville, Mo. They lived in Lincoln, Neb., moving later to Brooklyn where they owned and operated a grain and livestock farm east of Brooklyn. In 1987 they retired and moved to Grinnell. He has been a resident of Brooklyn Estates since March, 2010.

He was a member of the Malcom Presbyterian Church and Harold E. Smith Post #54 of the American Legion.

He is survived by his daughter Susan Peterson of Victor; his son Douglas Duffus of Grinnell; three grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife; his parents; his foster parents; one daughter Sally Lynn Duffus; one sister, Hazel Foster and one brother, Harold Duffus.
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Harry F. Duffus, 89, of Brooklyn, died on Friday, Aug. 5, 2013, at Brooklyn Estate.

A funeral service was held at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, Aug. 13, at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with the Rev. John Reynelda Jr. officiating. Pall bearers were Marilyn Kriegel, Casket Bearers were Camiel, Colton and Jon Bloome, Max Franks, Matt and Luke Ryan and John Vaverka. Burial was in the Ivy Hill Cemetery at Malcom.

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He was a member of the Malcom Presbyterian Church and the Harold E. Smith American Legion Post #51. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, dancing and playing cards.

He is survived by one daughter, Susan (Allan) Peterson of Victor; one son, Douglas (Merna) Duffus of Grinnell; three grandchildren, Stefanie Vaverka of Brooklyn, Jonathan Blomme of Brooklyn, and Julie Ryan of Marengo; and seven great-grandchildren, Colton and Camiel Blomme, Max and Colette Franks, Luke, Grace and Hannah Ryan.

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