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Leonard F. Cline, age 86, of Guernsey, died Friday, Aug. 3, 2012 at his home. Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10 a.m., Tuesday, Aug. 7, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Brooklyn, with Fr. Brian Shepley and Fr. Philip Ryan officiating. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery with military honors. A memorial fund has been established.

He is survived by his wife, Doris; his children, James Cline of Guernsey, Carolyn Ashby (Dennis) of Des Moines, Kathleen Baetsle (Chuck) of Hartwick, Beverly Archuleta (John) of Hot Sulphur Springs, Colo., Loretta Cline of Grinnell, Robert Cline (Lynette) of Cedar Falls, and Rita McVey (Jerry) of Grinnell; six grandchildren, Staci Andrick (Ken) of Greenfield, Ind., Joe Baetsle (Amy) of Brooklyn, Marg O'Clle of Cedar Falls, Kyle Cline of Cedar Falls, Angelina Willard (Greg) of Des Moines, and Elizabeth Ashby (fiancé Scott Fuchser) of Alexandria, Va.; nine great-grandchildren, Dylan Cheshier and Wyatt Andrick, Bobbi Jo, Brandi, Emma, Charlie and Anna Baetsle, Perpetua and Felicity Willard, and baby Willard on the way. Also surviving are his siblings, Mildred Moyer and Evelyn Wiley, both of Grinnell, and Bernadette Cline and Paul Cline, both of Brooklyn.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Darold in infancy, Harold, Joe, Francis, and Manus; and a sister, Dorothy Cline.

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