Walter E. Waterbeck was born August 1, 1919 on the family farm in rural Brooklyn, the son of Frank and Maggie Eirp Waterbeck. He graduated from Hartwick Consolidated High School in 1936 and served in the U.S. Army Air Force during World War II. He returned to Iowa and farmed for many years. He also sold oil for Archer Oil. Walter married Julia Helen Vavroch on July 11, 1945; at St. Patrick’s Catholic Church in Tama. She passed away March 11, 2004. He later married Rena Krug in 2005. She passed away in 2007.

Walt enjoyed fishing, and being on the farm. Polka music was his favorite type of music. He liked cooking in the kitchen with Julia, and also spending time with his children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. Later in life, he enjoyed going to Milestones in Marion. For the last six years, Walt resided in Coggon with his granddaughter and her family, Patti and Randy LeGrand.

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