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The son of Remi and Celina (DeClercq) Schinckel, he was born on May 31, 1921, in Brooklyn. He was raised on a farm near Brooklyn and educated in a rural school near his home. He was a veteran of the United States Army during World War II and served in the Pacific Theater in New Guinea. He was married to Frances E. Hall on February 19, 1946, in Brooklyn. The couple farmed in the Brooklyn and Malcom area prior to moving to a farm near Kellogg in 1967. They later moved to Newton in 1979, where the couple became part owners of C & A Small Engine Repair Shop. The couple retired to Seeland Park in Grinnell in 2000. He was a member of the National Farmers Organization.

Survivors include three daughters, Diana Tully of Warrenton, Va., Denise Hartz of Jackson, Tenn., and Darlene Mesch of Littleton, Colo.; one sister, Germaine Purdum of Malcom; two brothers, Marvin Schinckel of Victor, and Raymond Schinckel of Grinnell; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, and his wife, Frances, in 2002.

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Visitation will be held from noon through 9 p.m. on Tuesday, March 15, at the Smith funeral Home in Grinnell. The family will be present from 6 to 7:30 p.m. A scripture service and rosary will follow at 7:30 p.m., also at the funeral home.

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