Tilman I. Stangeland

Tilman I. Stangeland, 86, formerly of rural LeGrand, died early Sunday, June 26, at St. Francis Manor in Grinnell.

Visitation was Tuesday night, and funeral services were held Wednesday at the Estel Perrin Avey Funeral Home, with the Rev. Richard Boatman. Burial followed at the Stavenger Friends Church in rural LeGrand.

The son of Ole and Ingene Olson Stangeland, he was born July 25, 1918, on a farm near Dunbar. He was reared and educated in the area, attending Dunbar schools, then joined his father in farming. On Nov. 30, 1941, he married Beverly "Betty" Magilton of Rockford, Iowa, — who would be his wife for 64 years — in Independence, Mo.

After 52 years of farming, he retired and moved to Grinnell. In 1989, he was given a Century Farm certificate for the farm being in the family for 100 years or more. He was a member of Stavenger Friends Church, where he served as Sunday school superintendent for over three decades, as well as serving on various other church committees, the Marshall County Farm Bureau and the USDA-ASCS Township Committee for 30 years.

He is survived by his wife; a brother, Andrew Stangeland of rural LeGrand; three children, Kay McDonald of Cincinnati, Ohio, Kevin of Albuquerque, N.M., and Thomas of Bel Air, Md.; and several grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Clarence; a son, Jimmie; and a daughter, Nancy.

Memorials may be directed to the Stavenger Friends Church, 2684 Zeller Ave., Marshalltown, Iowa 50158.

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