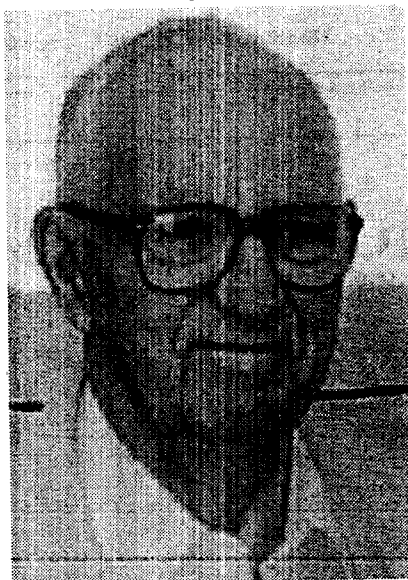


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Walter Meyer



Walter Meyer, 83, of Grinnell died Thursday, June 21, 2007, at Friendship Manor.

A funeral service was held Monday, June 25, at Smith Funeral Home with the Rev. Art Wallis officiating. Interment was in West Liberty Cemetery, rural Montezuma. Memorials may be made to the Walter E. Meyer Memorial Fund to benefit organizations of the family's choice. Online condolences may be submitted on the Smith Funeral Home website, www.smithfh.com.

He was born Feb. 13, 1924, to John Edward and Elva H. Lichtenberger

Meyer in rural Marion County, Indiana, near Indianapolis. The family moved to rural Laurel, Iowa, in 1934 and he attended rural schools near his home, then graduated with the Gilman High School Class of 1942. He worked at a dairy farm near Clutier, then at Fruehauf Manufacturing in Center Point. He was united in marriage with Dorotha Lucile James on Dec. 27, 1947, in the First Christian Church in Montezuma. The family moved near Montezuma and he began a lifelong career of dairy farming.

He was a member of West Liberty Church of Christ, rural Montezuma; a former member of First Christian Church in Montezuma and the Christian Church, Center Point, and also attended Grandview Church of Christ in Urbandale. He was a member of the Farm Bureau throughout his career as a dairy farmer. An outdoorsman, he enjoyed hunting and tending his garden.

He is survived by his children, Carol Shores of Urbandale, Norman Meyer of Montezuma and Kevin Meyer of Omaha; five grandchildren; two step grandchildren; six great grandchildren; six step great grandchildren; one brother Clyde Meyer of Monticello and two sisters, Helen White of Kerrville, Texas, and Verna Mae Burrichter of Cedar Rapids. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife Dorotha on Aug. 9, 2001, and a grandson.

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Following his education, Walter worked at a dairy farm near Clutier and then at Fruehauf Manufacturing in Center Point. He was united in marriage to Dorothea Lucile James on Dec. 27, 1947, at the First Christian Church in Montezuma. To this union, three children were born, Carol, Norman and Kevin. The family moved near Montezuma and Walter began his life-long career of dairy farming.

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throughout his career as a dairy farmer. Walter was an outdoorsman and enjoyed hunting and tending to his garden. His other enjoyments included listening and dancing to polka music, cooking, and he was especially known for making candy, ice cream and pies, and for his humility and his faith in the Lord.

Walter is survived by his children, Carol (Del) Shores of Urbandale, Norman (Rhonda) Meyer of Montezuma, and Kevin (Angela) Meyer of Omaha; five grandchildren, Rona Skow of Newton, Heather (Paul) Brown of Iwakuni, Japan, Amanda (Mike) Meyer-Smith of Newton, Matthew and Elizabeth Meyer of Omaha; two step grandchildren, Chad and Brian Shores; six great grandchildren, Stevie Skow of Newton, Nathan Skow-Butler of Newton, Brooklyn Mallicoat of Newton, Meradith, Taylor and Nina Brown of Iwakuni, Japan; six step great-grandchildren, Austin, Devin, Libby, Jerney, Megan, Rayna Shores; a brother, Clyde (Roberta) Meyer of Monticello; his sisters, Helen White of Kerrville, Texas, and Verna Mae Burrichter of Cedar Rapids and several nieces and nephews.

Walter was preceded in death by his wife, Dorothea, on Aug. 9, 2001; and a grandson, Curtis Meyer, on Oct. 8, 1975.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the Walter E. Meyer Memorial Fund to benefit several organizations of the family's choice. Online condolences may be submitted to the family on the Smith Funeral Home website at www.smithfh.com.

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