

MELVIN LaVERNE HOHL.

The son of Ernest and Fern Onstott Hohl, Melvin was born Sept. 21, 1916 in Donnellson. He was a graduate of Donnellson High School. He enrolled at Iowa State University before enlisting in the United States Army Jan. 6, 1942. He served with the 262nd Medical Detachment in the Pacific Theatre where he was awarded four bronze stars. After his discharge Oct. 5, 1945 he returned to Iowa State and received his degree in Agronomy. Following his education he moved to Grinnell where he taught farm training to veterans for five years.

He was married to Doris May Jeffrey March 30, 1952 in Malcom. They made their home west of Grinnell before moving to a farm

near Malcom in 1954. He worked as a U.S. rural mail carrier for 31 years, retiring in 1984, and also delivered the Des Moines Register for 30 years. He was a member of Malcom Methodist Church where he served as trustee and worked with the youth group. He served as an officer for 25 years with the Rural Letter Carrier Association and was a 4-H leader and Boy Scout leader of Troop 381 for many years.

He is survived by his wife, Doris, of Malcom; his children, Wayne of Altoona; Daryl of Clewiston, Fla.; Muriel Naumann of Iowa City; Martin of Bettendorf; Kay Crabtree of Tampa, Fla.; six grandchildren, Karla Hohl, Angie Melloh, Cindy Brezovan, Renee Naumann, Jeffrey Hohl, and Jeanne Hohl; a great granddaughter, Katie Melloh; a brother, Raymond of Donnellson, and a sister, Myrtle Staley of Des Moines.

Melvin died May 24 at 74. He was preceded in death by his mother Dec. 12, 1919, his father May 11, 1946, his sister, Lily Hohl May 24, 1989.

Funeral service was May 28 at Smith Funeral Home, Grinnell, with Rev. Melinda Cree of Malcom-Sheridan Parish officiating. Organist was Maria Hardenbrook and vocalist was Duane Philgreen.

Pallbearers were Ronald Adams, LeRoy Foster, William Nagle Carroll Foster, Claire Hutchison and John Robey. Military rites were conducted by Veterans Cemeterial Unit of Malcom with interment in Ivy Hill cemetery, Malcom.

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Melvin LaVerne Hohl, 74, of Malcom died Friday, May 24, at Iowa Lutheran Hospital in Des Moines.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Melinda Cree of the Malcom-Sheridan Parish officiating. Organist was Maria Hardenbrook, and vocalist was Duane Philgreen. Pallbearers were Ronald Adams, Gerald Foster, LeRoy Foster, Claire Hutchison, William Nagle and John Robey.

Military rites were conducted by members of the Malcom American Legion Post, with burial in Ivy Hill Cemetery.

The son of Ernest and Fern Onstott Hohl, he was born Sept. 21, 1916, in Donnellson. He was a graduate of Donnellson High School and enrolled at Iowa State University before enlisting in the U.S. Army in January 1942. He served with a medical detachment in the Pacific and received four Bronze Stars prior to his discharge in 1945. He then returned to Iowa State and received his degree in agronomy. He came to Grinnell where he taught farming to veterans for five years.

He was married to Doris May Jeffrey March 30, 1952 in Malcom. The couple lived west of Grinnell before moving to a farm northeast of Malcom in 1954. Mr. Hohl worked for the U.S. Postal Service as a rural mail carrier for 31 years, retiring in 1984.

He also delivered the Des Moines Sunday Register for 30 years.

He was a member of the Malcom United Methodist Church, serving as a trustee and working with the church's youth group. He was an officer of the Rural Letter Carriers Association, was active as a 4-H leader and as a leader of Boy Scout Troop 381 in Grinnell.

Surviving are his wife, Doris; his children, Wayne of Altoona, Daryl of Clewiston, Fla., Muriel Naumann of Iowa City, Martin of Bettendorf and Kay Crabtree of Tampa, Fla.; six grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; a brother, Raymond of Donnellson; and a sister, Myrtle Staley of Des Moines. He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Lily Hohl.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or to the Malcom Methodist Church.

May 30, 1991