

Clifford Van Arkel, 78

Clifford W. Van Arkel, 78, of Oskaloosa, died Wednesday, July 5, 1995 at the Mahaska County Hospital in Oskaloosa.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. Saturday, July 8, 1995 at Bates Funeral Chapel in Oskaloosa. Pastor Alvern Boetsma officiated the services. Casket bearers were Paul Scott, Henry Schmidt, Ray Byers, Jim Bailey, Marion Yenger, and Jack Hoeksema. Burial was in Jackson Township Cemetery in Montezuma.

Clifford was born on May 29, 1917 at Pella, the son of William and Henrietta Grandia Van Arkel. On September 23, 1940, he was married to Anna Louise "Johnney" Bogard at Lancaster, Mo., and she died in March, 1965. He was married to E. Mae Byers Miller on June 11, 1966 at Hedrick. He was employed

as a heavy equipment operator for Star Coal Co. for about 45 years, until retiring in December, 1986. He was an avid bowler, and was a member of the Oskaloosa Bowlers Hall of Fame. He was an umpire for many years in the PAL girls softball league.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, and his parents.

Clifford is survived by his wife, Mae Van Arkel of Oskaloosa; two daughters and a son-in-law; Patricia Ann Van Arkel of Bloomfield and Jana Lou and Paul Scott, Pella; a son and his wife: Harold and Diane Miller of Westerville, Ohio; five grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; two sisters: Maxine Wilson of Ottumwa, and Marjorie Rouw of Hedrick.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Mahaska County.

MR July 12, 1995