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He was born Sept. 29, 1933, in Mahaska County to Gasper and Clara Minner Adkins. He attended Star country school and New Sharon High School, then served in the United States Army during the Korean conflict. On May 19, 1956, he was united in marriage with Junella Valster at the Little Brown Church in Nashua. They lived briefly in Barnes City before settling into their farm near Searsboro. He had attended the Searsboro Friends Church and was a member of the New Sharon Christian Church where he served on the board of elders and also as a deacon.

He was the recipient of the 1999 region 7 and district conservation awards.

He is survived by his wife Junella of Searsboro; one son John Adkins of Montezuma; two daughters, Connie Brown of New Sharon and Debra Johnson of Grinnell; nine grandchildren and one sister Velma Adkins of New Sharon. He was preceded in death by his parents.

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