Bill Nagel, Sr.



Bill Nagel, Sr., 94, of Grinnell died Wednesday, Dec. 31, at his home.

Funeral services for Bill Nagel were held at 10:30 a.m. today (Monday) at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with the Rev. Herb Knudten, pastor of the Trinity Lutheran Church, officiating Organist was Teresa Ziegenmeyer. Pallbearers were Bruce Arnold, Dennis Austin, Charlie Durr, Shaun Kicklighter, Darwin Kinne, Fritz Oltrogge and Kyle Pedersen. Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery.

The son of Peter and Rosa Dohrn Nagel, he was born on March 22, 1909, in Seedorf, Wilster Holstein, Germany. He was educated in the schools of Eddlock, Germany, where he also played on a local soccer team. He was confirmed in the Lutheran faith on

Nov. 21, 1923.

In 1924, he and his family immigrated to the United States and settled in Brooklyn, Iowa.

He married Louise Oltrogge on May 16, 1937, at the Trinity Lutheran Church in rural Grinnell. The couple farmed all their lives on a farm northeast of Grinnell.

He was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church, the Poweshiek County Farm Bureau, the Iowa State Hereford Association, the Mid-Iowa Hereford Association and the Exotic Bird and Animal Association.

Surviving him are two sons, Bernard J. Nagel of Grinnell and William F. Nagel Jr. of Malcom, as well as four grandchildren, three step-grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife; two brothers, John and Richard; and a daughter-in-law, Arlene.

Memorial contributions may be directed to Grinnell Regional Hospice.