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George William Meeks was born on Nov. 4, 1926, in Chelsea, to Jacob and Anna (Hayek) Meeks. He was raised on the family farm near Hartwick and graduated from Hartwick High School in 1943.

He honorably served in the United States Army during the Korean War from 1950 until 1957. He returned home to work on the family farm.

On Dec. 4, 1965, he was united in marriage with Linda Pickering. The couple made their home on the family farm near Hartwick. George's life was farming and family. He enjoyed collecting John Deere toy tractors. He was a member of the Brooklyn American Legion, served on the Belle Plaine Community School Board for 12 years, and was a member of the Optimist Club in Belle Plaine.

George is survived by his wife of 47 years, Linda Meeks of Hartwick; two daughters, Tami Mora of Cedar Rapids and Christine Meeks of Hartwick; two sons, Stacy (Kim Osipchack) Meeks of Chelsea, and Jason (Jocelyn) Meeks of Chelsea; four grandchildren, Jessica Mora of Cedar Rapids, Savannah Meeks and Tanner Meeks of Chelsea, and Chloe Meeks of Newhall; and two sisters, Edna Uchytel and Barbara Kann.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Robert and Richard Meeks; and a sister, Helen Carlson.