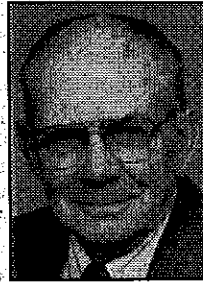


Obituaries

Henry C. Terlouw, 89, of Sully

Henry Charles Terlouw was born on July 26, 1918, in Jasper County south of Sully, Iowa. He was one of nine children born of John O. and Phoebe (Renau) Terlouw. Henry attended Iron Clad and Chester Grade school South of Sully.



H. Terlouw

Henry was inducted into the U.S. Army on March 14, 1941. On November 26, 1942 he was united in marriage with Marie Van Norden in Junction City, Kansas. To this union were born three sons and one daughter. Harlan Charles of Pella, Iowa, Phyllis Jean of Overland Park, Kansas, Randall Mark of Newton, Iowa and Timothy Jon of Chesterfield, Missouri.

In the military service Henry was trained in automotive mechanics, and was a member of the 113th Cavalry "Red Horse Mechanized". While state side he served in Fort Riley, Kansas; Fort Hood, Texas and Camp Livingston, Louisiana. His first son Harlan was born on November 12, 1943 six weeks before his unit was activated to the European theater. Henry participated in the Normandy invasion and crossed the English Channel on June 07, 1944. His unit was also active in the Northern France, Rhineland and Central Europe campaigns including the Battle of the Bulge and Hurtgen Forest. He received a Purple Heart, Good Conduct, American Defense Medal and European African Service medals. He received an honorable discharge as Tech Sergeant after nearly five years of service to his country.

Returning home to his wife and son, he worked as a mechanic for Van's Motor Co. in Sully, Iowa. Their family soon moved to a farm near the county line five miles south of town. In 1969 Henry and Marie built their home on the family farmstead where he remained a self-employed farmer until his health declined in 1996. Henry resided there until his death at the age of 89 years 10 months and 15 days.

Henry greatly enjoyed meeting new people, working his farm and yard and restoring his 1942 Ford Jeep which he drove in several

parades in honor of our military servicemen.

Those who will cherish his memory include three sons, their wives, one daughter, her husband, 11 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

They are: Harlan C. and Donna (Kooistra) Terlouw, Sharla and Bryan Dieleman, Brady and Brendon. Sheila and Mark Schnell, Mikalya and Austin. Sharlene and Duane Van Wyk, Shaela, Phyllis J. and Mel Vos, Michelle and Dan Stephenson, Amanda, James, Sola, Sierra, Devion, Isaiah, Chad and Nicole (Jones) Vos, Brandt and Coralee, Randall M. and Marilyn (Schroeder) Terlouw, Sheryl and Bruce Nuzum, Jonathon and Lori (Cline) Terlouw, Natalya and Abby, Jessie and Spencer Curry, Timothy J. and Tamra (Haverkamp) Terlouw, Brandon and Amber.

Henry is also survived by two brothers, Marion and Louis and two sisters Arletta Baarda and Theda Popma. He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, Lloyd and three sisters, Jennie Marie Hurst, Martha Willemsen, and Isabelle Vander Weerd and one daughter in-law Sally Rae (Burgraaf).

Henry accepted the Lord Jesus as his Savior early in life and was baptized in 1944 in England just prior to the Normandy invasion. During his life he served his Lord as a Deacon, an Elder and distributed Bibles as a member of the Gideons International. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Monroe, Iowa.

Henry will be remembered by his friends for his witness of our Lord, grace in his life, service to others and his personal interest in the lives of people he met. Condolences may be made at www.vandykduven.com. Van Dyk-Duven Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Funeral services were held Saturday, June 14, at 10:30 a.m. at the Sully Community Church with committal service at the Sully Cemetery.

Military honors by the Van Veen-Van Hemert Post No. 89 of Pella, Iowa.

For those desiring, memorials may be designated for the First Baptist Church of Monroe, Iowa or for The Gideon's International.