

ROBERT JAMES MAXWELL

Robert James Maxwell, 84 of Deep River, died Nov. 28 in Grinnell Hospital.

He was born Jan. 16, 1908 at What Cheer, the son of James and Mattie Hurd Maxwell. He attended rural schools and Thornburg High School. Bob farmed with his parents west of Guernsey and for seven years he drove the horse and wagon school bus. During this time Bob only missed one day of driving.

On May 22, 1938 he married Frances Miller at her parents' home northeast of Brooklyn. To this union five children were born. In 1944 they moved to their farm near Deep River.

He also did custom farm work and continued to have an avid interest in horses. Bob was a member of the Presbyterian Church (now the United Church). He had served as a trustee and elder. He was a Mason and a long time member of the Golden Rod Lodge in Deep River and a member of the Lafayette Lodge No. 52 A.F. & A.M. He had served as a township trustee, was a member of Farm Bureau, was a 4-H leader for many years, and was a A.S.C. committee man for several years.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one son, James, in infancy in 1939.

Bob is survived by his wife, Frances, and their family; Richard and Eileen Maxwell of Virginia, Ill.; David Maxwell of Gibson; Jeane Maschmann of LeClaire; and Ellen and David Zimmerman of Deep River; nine grandchildren; four great grandchildren; three sisters, Ellen Leer of Keswick, Hazel Brau of Oskaloosa, and Teresa Warner of Mingo; and other relatives and many friends.

Services were Dec. 1 at United Church, Deep River with the Rev. Sue Krummel officiating. Verla VanDee was organist. Hymns sung were "How Great Thou Art" and "Jesus Loves Me".

Masonic service was at the church by members of Lafayette Lodge No. 52 A.F. & A.M., Montezuma.

Casket bearers were James Maschmann, Michael Maschmann, Terry Maschmann, Rick Maxwell, Curtis Maxwell, and Mike Clement. Interment was at Golden Rod Cemetery, Deep River.

Memorials may be given to the Deep River Volunteer Fire Department.