

Raymond McKee, 81

Raymond McKee, 81, Montezuma, Iowa, died Thursday, June 6, 1996.

Funeral services were held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 11, 1996 at First Presbyterian Church in Montezuma with Rev. George M. Salnave officiating. Organist was Kathleen Ramsey, with congregational hymns of "How Great Thou Art" and "In the Garden". Soloist was Mr. George Wilkening with music selection of "Friends". Casket bearers were Craig McKee, John Gorsuch, Brian Roorda, Frank Wheeler, Rodney McKee, Forrest Gorsuch, Kevin Rempp and Bill Rempp. Honorary casket bearers were Sylvan VeVerka, Harry Bunnell, Maynard Hutchinson, Bob Thomason, Rex Pitman, Marvin Bunnell, Donald McKee and Harold Wheeler. Knights of Pythias, Aztec Lodge No. 238, also participated in the service. Burial was in Jackson Township Cemetery, Montezuma.

Raymond was born June 28, 1914 at Montezuma, to Ethel B. (Gorsuch) and William E. McKee. He was raised on the McKee Century Farm between Montezuma and Deep River. He

graduated from Montezuma High School in 1933 and attended Iowa State University for two years, obtaining an agricultural degree. After completing this course, Raymond farmed with his dad until his marriage to Ada Mildred Wilcox on April 27, 1940. Raymond and Mildred were married in Monticello. Together they farmed near Montezuma for over fifty years. Raymond was widowed in 1993. Raymond and Mildred were lifelong members of the Montezuma Presbyterian Church and the Farm Bureau. He was also a 50-year member of the Knights of Pythias, Montezuma Aztec Lodge No. 238.

Raymond is survived by his children: Howard E. McKee, Logan, Utah; Ethel Mathews, Germantown, Tenn.; Kenneth McKee, Ventura, Calif.; and Rose (Buddy) Howell, Boise, Idaho; five grandchildren, Michael McKee, Aaron McKee, Laura McKee, Carrie Rogers and Jim Mathews; two great-grandchildren, Kelsey McKee and Logan Rogers.

A memorial fund has been established in Raymond's name at the Montezuma First Presbyterian Church.

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