

Harold Wayne Shutts, 81

Harold Wayne Shutts, 81, of Lake Ponderosa and Sully resident, died at Pella Regional Health Center on Sunday morning April 11, 1999.

Funeral services were April 14 at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church in Sully with Rev. Robert Waters officiating and Rev. H. Eugene Cedarholm assisting.

The congregation sang "How Great Thou Art." Kevin Roose sang "In The Garden" and "Blessed Assurance" with Becky Roose accompanying him on the piano. Organist Gertrude Schnell played "The Old Rugged Cross."

Casket bearers were Gregory Van Soelen, Chad Huyser, Robert Rebertus, Harold Nichless, Larry Hendricks and Robert Simmons.

Mr. Shutts was laid to rest at St. Andrew's Cemetery in Sully.

Harold Wayne Shutts, the son of Charles Elwood and Edna Mae Youngkin Shutts, was born at the family farm home southwest of Sully on March 9, 1918. He attended the Dairy Grove Country Grade School near there and then Sully High School in Sully for two years. His formal education terminated when his father died at the age of 48.

Mr. Shutts then began farming the family farm with his mother and sister. On December 24, 1940 he and Wanda Maxine Rebertus, the daughter of John and Ida Hurwitz Rebertus, were united in marriage at the Lutheran Church parsonage in Kellogg.

Together they continued farming the century farm until he encountered a health problem which forced them to retire in 1980.

In 1987 they purchased a summer home on Lake Ponderosa near Montezuma. They were living there when Mr. Shutts passed away.

Mr. Shutts was preceded in death by his parents, his father who died in 1938 and his mother who died in 1974; his stepfather, Thomas Earl Coakley who died in 1966 and a great-great-nephew, Christian Van Soelen, who died in infancy.

Mr. Shutts leaves his wife, Maxine; his sister, Vivian and her husband, Delmar Vander Pol of Lynnville; his two nieces; four great-nieces and nephews and a great-great niece and nephew all to mourn his passing. They and their families are: Marilyn and her husband, Robert Van Soelen of Killduff and their two children: Becky and Kevin Roose; Gregory and Kathy Van Soelen and their two children, Madeline and Keaton; Peggy Huyser of Pella and her twins, Suzanne Huyser and Chad Huyser and his wife, Valerie and a special friend and "Little Brother" Harold Nichless and his wife, Kathy, of Keosauqua.

Mr. Shutts' extended family is comprised of a great aunt, Marian (Glen) Youngkin of Winston Salem, N.C.; his four Godchildren, Marilyn Van Soelen, Peggy Huyser, Robert Rebertus and David Rebertus; along with his brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law; several other nieces, nephews; and cousins.

He was a member of the St. Andrew's Lutheran Church near Sully where he served on the council, sang in the Church Choir, and was a member of the Lutheran Brotherhood. He was also a member of the Farm Bureau, the Sully Cooperative Exchange and the Sully Telephone Association and the Lake Ponderosa Association near Montezuma.

Mr. Shutts enjoyed farming, nature, hunting and fishing.

Memorials may be made to St. Andrew's Lutheran Church in Sully or Hospice of Poweshiek County at Montezuma.

MR April 28, 1999