

Deaths

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Casket-bearers were Ross McCulla, Lee Adkins, Robert Willett, Clarence Fisher, Marvin Kucera and Bernie Clark. Interment was in the Brooklyn Memorial Cemetery.

A Masonic Service conducted by the members of Corinthian Lodge #174 AF & AM was held Sept. 4, in the Nevenhoven Funeral Home, Brooklyn.

A Memorial fund has been established for the East Poweshiek Ambulance Service.

Phillip Henry Smith, son of Ed. L. Smith and Nellie Nemchek, was born Oct. 16, 1909, at Tenstrike, Minn. His family moved to Belle Plaine when he was three years old. Phillip received his elementary and high school education in Belle Plaine. He started working on a dairy farm near Belle Plaine and later he went into farming for himself.

On Oct. 18, 1932, he was married to Mildred Florence Melsa in Rock Island, Ill. They farmed near Marengo, in the Haven area and in 1940 they bought a farm in Madison Township. When they retired they moved into Brooklyn.

Phillip was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Brooklyn where he had served as an elder. He was a member of Corinthian Lodge #174 AF & AM of Brooklyn.

Surviving are his wife, Mildred; one son and his wife, Dale and Donna Smith of Brooklyn; two grandchildren, Kevin Smith of Brooklyn and Diane (Mrs. Todd) Van Ersvelde of North Liberty; and four great grandchildren, Craig, Luke and Krystal Smith of Brooklyn and Courtney Van Ersvelde of North Liberty.

Mr. Smith was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Charles; one sister, Gladys Bostian; and one granddaughter, Kathleen Smith.

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