

MALVERN - Jerald Lee Axland, son of Clifford Jennings and Inona Maxine (Dent) Axland, was born at Redline July 26, 1936. Jerald graduated from Invin High School with the Class of 1953 and began farming.

Oct. 10, 1954, he married Dwanna Kaye Mork at Irwin. Their marriage was blessed with the birth of son, Mark, and daughters, Tammy and Deanna. He left farming to begin a career in the grain elevator business working for Purina Elevator in Harlan, the Irwin Elevator in Irwin and later for Cox Grain Company in Tennant. He was manager of the Farm Service Coop Elevator in Oakland, where the family lived while their children attended high school. In 1981, Jerald became a partner and manager for Botna Valley Grain Company at Malvern and in 1982, they moved to Malvern. In 1991, he became manager of the Fairview Country Club where he had been past president and was instrumental in the development of the new club house and cart barn. In 1994 and 1995, he worked for H & R Block in Glenwood. He died July 12, 1996 at Bergan Mercy Hospital in Omaha following a lengthy illness at age 59.

He is survived by his parents, Clifford and Inona Axland of Irwin; wife, Dwanna; son, Mark of La Vista, NE; daughters, Tammy Volrich of Glendale, AZ and Deanna Axland of La Vista, NE; two granddaughters and brothers, Larry of Irwin and Dean of Nevada, IA.

Funeral services were held July 15, 1996 at the St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Oakland with Pastor Edwin Williams officiating, Burial was in the Oaklawn Cemetery, Oakland. Honorary casket bearers were Richard Anderson, Dennis Bartley, Eugene Peters, Phil Barber, Kenneth Grindle, Sam Schoening, Bill McMahon and Bob Mohr. Casket bearers were Roger Salyers, Lance Axland, Tim Axland, Doug Burchett, Todd Axland and Rick Mohr. Mansfield Hertz Funeral Home, Malvern in charge of arrangements.