

Virgil Crouch, 96

Oct. 28, 1915 - Sept. 27, 2012

IRWIN — Virgil Leroy, son of Frank Lewis and Nettie Elizabeth (French) Crouch, was born October 28, 1915, the youngest of seven children. He was born in the family farmhouse four miles east of Irwin. Virgil attended country school near his home and helped on the family farm.

After returning from a potato harvest in North Dakota in 1934, Virgil met Mildred Doyel at the Manning skating rink. They eloped to Elk Point, SD and were united in marriage on February 13, 1935. Virgil and Mildred made their home in Irwin and raised five children. Virgil purchased his first truck in 1936 and owned and operated Crouch Trucking for 42 years with the help of his wife in the office. They retired in 1979. Virgil and Mildred enjoyed life, including raising livestock, gardening, traveling in their motor home, boating, fishing and spending time with family and friends. After nearly 76 years of a loving marriage, Mildred died on December 26, 2010. Virgil remained in their home in Irwin where he continued to enjoy the companionship of his cat Miss Susie. Virgil enjoyed good health until about a week before his death on Thursday, September 27, 2012 at Alegent Creighton University Medical Center at the age of 96 years, 10 months and 30 days.



Virgil was preceded in death by his parents; wife; son Norman Crouch; daughter Judith Ann Perrien; grandson Richard Crouch, Jr; great granddaughter Shanna Michaelson; sisters Maude Crouch and Mabel (Earl) Weems; and brothers Ora (Cleo) Crouch, Harold (Clara) Crouch, Ivyl (Ethel) Crouch and Ancel (Bernice) Crouch. He is survived by his children Janet and husband Bob Drake of Omaha, NE; Richard Crouch and wife Sharon of Woodbridge, VA; and Betty and husband Rick Michaelson of McCook, NE; 13 grandchildren; 30 great grandchildren; 3 step great grandchildren; 4 great great grandchildren; son in law Ronald Perrien of Denison; nieces, nephews and many friends and neighbors.

Visitation was held Sunday, September 30, 2012 after 4:00 p.m. at Ohde Funeral Home in Manilla. Funeral services were held October 1, 2012 at 10:30 a.m. at the United Methodist Church in Irwin with Rev. Leila Blackburn and Rev. Ted Sieck officiating. Music was "Hymn of Promise", "How Great Thou Art", "In the Garden", "The Old Rugged Cross", and "I'll Fly Away" by the congregation and Ruth Ann Barry, organist. Casket bearers

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were Henry Olson, Kenneth Juhl, Eugene Juhl, Dave Borkowski, Eugene Monson, and Rowly Burton. Honorary casket bearers were Virgil's grandchildren and great grandchildren. Interment was in the Oak Hill Cemetery in Irwin with "Could I Have This Dance" by Anne Murray, recorded music.

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