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Arthur A. Kienast, 76

JEFFERSON – Arthur August Kienast, son of August and Minnie Rotunda Rickman Kienast was born Aug. 8, 1912 in Audubon County, and died Sept. 2, 1988 at the Greene County Medical Center, Jefferson at age 76 years, 24 days. He received his education in the Audubon County rural school. He lived in that area until his marriage to Gwendolyn A. Gaskill on May 27, 1936 at the Trinity Lutheran Church Parsonage in Audubon County. They were the parents of six children, Phyllis, Clinton, Allen, Stanley, Jeffrey and Pamela. The family lived near Gray, where he farmed. In 1950 they moved to Manning, and farmed until 1953 when they moved to Irwin. The family lived there until 1961 when they moved on to Atlantic and then to Armstrong. In 1962, he and his family moved to Cooper where they were living at the time of his death. He had retired from farming in 1982. He was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Jefferson.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one sister and two half brothers and four half sisters. He is survived by his wife Gwendolyn; his four sons, Clinton of Kirkman; Allen of Lawson, MO; Stanley of Bethany, MO and Jeffrey of Des Moines; two daughters, Phyllis (Mrs Kermit) Borkowski of Tallahassee, FL and Pamela (Mrs Allan) Shell of Casey; 14 grandchildren; and 8 great grandchildren; two brothers, Harry of Denver, CO and Hugo of Waterloo; four sisters, Lillian Jorgensen of Perham, MN; Hulda Elsberry of Longmont, CO; Milda Sunderman of Fort Dodge and Anna Drum of Portland, OR; one half brother, Bill Rickman of Beaverton, OR and one half sister Edna Dotzler of Monroe, MO and other relatives.

Funeral services were Sept. 6, 1988 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Jefferson with Pastor Timothy J. Zimmerman officiating. Burial was in the Franklin Twp. cemetery in Cooper. Honorary bearers were George Meinecke Jr., Wendell Henning, Elmo Wilson, Doug Lawton, Eugene Garrity, Gerald Lawton, Larry Monthei and Todd Lawton. Serving as casket bearers were Kenny Harryman, Scott Kienast, Mike Kienast, Lyle Schlichte, Tracy Kienast and Ron Lawton. Hastings Funeral Home in Jefferson was in charge of arrangements.