

Shade "Ace" Hall, 73 ✓

March 29, 1925 - Jan. 14, 1999

SHELBY - Shade "Ace" Wakefield Hall was born at Rockport, MO, March 29, 1925, the son of Sumner and Violet Stearns Hall. At the age of 2 he and his brother, Dick, moved into the home of their grandparents, the Stearns. They lived at Rockport until he was 13 years old and then moved to Omaha, NE. He was confirmed and baptized in the First Baptist Church in Omaha. He attended Technical High School in Omaha through the 11th grade. He held down many jobs from frying donuts at Kresges to working as a cowboy in Colorado. He was working for Western Union in California when he turned 18 and he then joined the Navy. He was a member of the 103rd Naval Construction Battalion (Seabees). He spent most of 3 years in Guam.

He married Dorothy Davis Aug. 4, 1946 at Papillion, NE. He worked as an apprentice iron-worker for the Peter Kiewit Company in Omaha until 1947, and they then moved to the farm that Dorothy was born on. They have lived in the same area since that time. Ace served as a representative on the Shelby County Extension Council for a number of years, and also was a director with the Shelby County Cattlemen's Association. He was also a lifetime member of the Avoca VFW. He had his private pilot's license when he was younger. He died at Mrytue Memorial Hospital Jan. 14, 1999, at age 73 years, nine months and 16 days.

He was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; their children, Beverly (Rich) Goshorn; Dixie (Robert) Nihsen; Danny Hall (Linda); Barbara (Randy) Lund, all living at Shelby and Steven Hall (Michelle) of Ames; 19 grandchildren; 4 step grandchildren; 1 great grandchild; 2 step great grandchildren; a brother, Dick Hall (Elaine) of Omaha; a half-sister, Donna Madge Nerren living in California; a number of stepsisters and stepbrothers including Leora Mahoney of Burbank, and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Jan. 17, 1999, at the Knutson Funeral Chapel, Avoca, with Pastor Walter J. Bernard officiating. Burial was in the Shelby Cemetery with VFW graveside services by the Leuth-Staub/Post #4279. Honorary casket bearers were Don Herbst, Bernard Cox, Ted Balster, Leo Bargaquast, Eldon Jensen, Neil Pauley, Michael Grimmer, Harold Nihsen, Eugene Peters and Paul Eggerss. Casket bearers were Dean Herbst, Bob Becker, Bruce Christensen, Bob Plagman, Ron Peters and John Bennie, Jr.