

Franklin Havick, 93

Oct. 15, 1913 - July 19, 2007

OAKLAND - Franklin Maynard Havick was born Oct. 15, 1913, to Franklin Mareclin Havick and Essie Amelia (Bryan) Havick in Shelby County, at his parents' farm home. He was the eighth child out of a family of 10. He grew up on his father's farm and attended school at Tenant. He drove a "school bus", a team of horses and wagon, when he was in the eighth grade.

April 12, 1936, Franklin married Evelyn Junette Fick of Harlan. They moved to a farm six miles northeast of Oakland and set up farming with his brother, Elmer, and then later with his brother, Everett. In 1944, Franklin and Evelyn purchased a farm one mile south. In 1955, the family moved to their current farm near Oakland where in earlier years he milked forty cows. Four children were born to this union, Merry Beth, Susan, Frank, Jr., and Paul. In 1985, Franklin semi-retired but continued to stay on the family farm where he raised calves and helped with the harvest. Franklin spent his time on the family farm and even mowed his own lawn last week. Franklin died July 19, 2007, at Alegent Mercy Hospital in Council Bluffs, at age 93 years, nine months, and four days.

Frank is preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Evelyn; five brothers, Claude, Elmer, Harold, Glen, and Everett; and four sisters, Gladys Klitgaard, Helen Christensen, Esther Davis, and Mabel Davis. He is survived by his children, Merry Beth (Gary) Nilan of Oakland; Susan (Mike) Hogzett of Harlan; Frank, Jr. Havick (Nita) of Oakland; Paul Havick (Diane) of Chariton; eight grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; two sisters-in-law, Wilma Havick of Harlan and Betty Hankins of Grand Island, NE; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held July 23, 2007, at Pauley Jones Funeral Home with Pastor Dave Swinton officiating. Burial was at the Harlan Cemetery with Kerri Havick, Heidi Hoffmann, Laura Hogzett, Kelli Beckel, Robin Bennett, Missy Whitfield, and Bill Hughes honorary casket bearers. Casket bearers were Matt Hogzett, Harold Hoffmann, Tom Beckel, Kyle Bennett, Kyle Whitfield, Jake Havick, Chris Hogzett, and Evan Havick.

