

Herbert Heyde, 85

Oct. 23, 1914 - Feb. 17, 2000



PERSIA — Herbert George Heyde was born Oct. 23, 1914, on the family farm west of Persia, son of George Charles and Mary (Plambeck) Heyde. He was baptized and confirmed at Trinity Lutheran Church in Persia. He grew up on the farm helping his parents with the usual farm chores and also helping his father with the trading of horses and mules. He graduated from Persia Public High School as valedictorian in 1933. He continued to help his parents on the farm and was an accomplished carpenter, tutored by his uncle, Harvey Ulfers. March 1, 1942, he joined the Army at Ft. Des Moines, Iowa, serving with Co. A 877th A/B Engineers/Aviation. He served his country in Normandy, Northern France, Rhineland and Central Europe, earning the Victory Medal, American Theater Ribbon, European-African-Middle Eastern Theater Ribbon w/4 Bronze Battle Stars, 4 Overseas Service Bars, 1 Service Stripe and the Good Conduct Medal. He was honorably discharged Jan. 24, 1946. Upon his discharge he returned to the Persia area. He was a member of the VFW and American Legion.

June 1, 1947, he married Alice May (Myers) Gilliland at Fremont, NE. They made their home on the family farm and he also worked as Assessor and with the ASC Office for Harrison County in the Persia area for many years. He moved into Persia in December 1991. Nov. 7, 1998, he entered the Denison Care Center. This is where he died Feb. 17, 2000.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother and sister in infancy; and his beloved wife of nearly 40 years, Alice. Survivors include daughters, Janet Norgaard (Delano Petersen) of Denison and Alice Louise (Richard) Mulder of Millford; eight grandsons and one granddaughter; 12 great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at St. John's Lutheran Church, Persia, Feb. 21, 2000. Burial was in Valley View Cemetery west of Persia. Honorary casket bearers were Kyle Cooper, Jordan Cooper, Richard Petersen, Ryan Cooper, James Bonham and Robert Bonham. Casket bearers were Rick Cooper, Kris Mulder, Matthew Mulder, Mike Cooper, Gene Cooper and David Mulder.