

## Glenn "Keith" Martin, 76

*Sept. 21, 1922 - Aug. 26, 1999*

**AVOCA** - Glenn "Keith" Martin was born in Valley Township, Pottawattamie County, Sept. 21, 1922, son of Robert and Merna Schmidt Martin. Keith attended school in Hancock, graduating in 1940. He attended Simpson College at Indianola, for 1 1/2 years. During this time he took flight training at an aviation school in Des Moines, earning his cub pilot license.

He married Hazel Tolle from Yorkshire, Feb. 19, 1943, in Ralston, NE. To this union two sons, Byron and Bruce, were born. He entered the United States Air Force in 1944, and served for 17 months. They farmed west of Hancock on the family farm. He was a member of the Hancock United Methodist Church and the American Legion Post #720 of Hancock. He died at Jennie Edmundson Hospital in Co. Bluffs, Aug. 26, 1999, at age 76 years, 11 months and five days.

He was preceded in death by his parents and by two sisters, one in infancy and Beulah Krueger. He is survived by his wife of 56, years, Hazel of Avoca; two sons, Byron (Janice) of Avoca and Bruce (Jeanne) of Hancock; one grandson, Greg (Chris) of Avoca; one granddaughter, Kimberly of Hancock; three great grandchildren, Nikki, Kylie and Jacob of Avoca; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Aug. 28, 1999, at the Knutson Funeral Chapel with Rev. Dr. Judy Flanegin officiating. Burial was in the Oak Hill Cemetery, Hancock, with military graveside rites performed by the Hancock American Legion Post #720. Casket bearers were Kevin Fries, Doug Kinzie, Richard Nee, Jim Bolte, Roy Guyer and Doug Clark.