

Fred Meier, 74

July 11, 1937 - Nov. 25, 2011

PERSIA — Fred Duane Meier, the son of Fred William and Edna Florence (Dobernecker) Meier was born at home near Persia on July 11, 1937. He attended school in Persia, and graduated from Persia High School, with the class of 1955. During his high school days, Fred was an active catcher on the Persia High school baseball team. After high school, Fred farmed for Harold Dollen until the death of his father in 1963. He returned to Persia at that time and took over the family farm.

Fred was united in marriage to Mona Sturm on April 10, 1971 in Council Bluffs. Two children were born to this union, Duane and Dawnell.

Throughout the years, Fred worked for Meadow Gold Dairy, General Woodworking and the Iowa Highway Commission at Neola. He retired in 1999, where he enjoyed his home with his family. For many years, Fred was a member of the Shelby Saddle Club where he enjoyed riding with friends and family. He also enjoyed playing cards with his family, especially when he won. Fred was quick to volunteer and always could be counted on when he was needed. He died on November 25, 2011 at Alegent Mercy Hospital in Council Bluffs, having attained the age of 74 years, 4 months and fourteen days.

Fred was preceded in death by his parents, his daughter, Dawnell, and two sisters, Delores and Edna. Survivors include his wife of 40 years, Mona of Persia, his son Duane of Council Bluffs, six grandchildren, Brandy, Cody, Nicole, Courtney, Harley and Mikayla; His siblings, sister, Regina Schmidt of Avoca, sister Lotus Martin and her husband Marion of Harlan, sister, Lavonne and her husband Nick Springman of Portsmouth, brother, Robert Meier and his wife Janet of Irwin, brother, Ron Meier and his wife Gloria of Tabor, brother, Richard Meier and his wife Kathy of Tabor, and sister, Deanna and her husband Marvin Huebner of Persia, many nieces and nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Rev. Merlene Ostebee officiated the 10:30 a.m. funeral service on Tuesday, November 29, 2011 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Persia. Music was provided by Judy Iwen and Fred's nephews were the honorary casket bearers. Serving as casket bearers were Rob Huebner, Scott Huebner, Harley Meier, Jeff Schmidt, Cody Pester, and Mike Meier. Interment was held at the Valley View Cemetery in Persia.



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