

Eugene Rohe, 84

Oct. 22, 1925 - July 3, 2010

MANNING — Eugene Edward "Gene", son of Walter and Ella (Sibbel) Rohe, was born October 22, 1925, in Carroll County, near Templeton. He attended Sacred Heart School in Templeton until he began farming with his family. Gene was drafted into the United States Army in February of 1951 at Omaha, NE. He served with the 91st TSU Depot #2 as a military police at the Atlanta General Depot, Atlanta, GA. In February of 1953 he was honorably discharged and returned to Iowa.

Gene and Leona Meislahn were united in marriage on October 27, 1953 at Sacred Heart Church in Templeton and lived in Carroll for a short time before moving to a farm east of Gray. In 1962 they moved to their farm southeast of Manning, the former Hugo Brus farm, where they farmed and raised their seven children. After thirty-one years there, in 1993, they retired and moved into their new home in Manning located on the former elementary school lot. Gene was a member of Sacred Heart Parish in Manning. He enjoyed farming most of all and in his spare time enjoyed playing cards, hunting and fishing, dancing, occasional trips to a casino and watching westerns and game shows on television. Above all, he took great pleasure in family gatherings and seeing his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Gene's health began to fail in April 2010 when he was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer; however, he was able to remain at home with the loving care of his family. He died peacefully at home surrounded by his family on Saturday, July 3, 2010, at the age of 84 years, 8 months and 11 days.

Preceding Gene in death are his parents; two sons Mike Rohe and Merlin Rohe both in 2006; three brothers Norbert Rohe and wife Bertille; Glen Rohe and wife Millie and Wayne Rohe and wife Esther; and sister-in-law Martha Rohe. He is survived by his wife Leona Rohe of Manning; three daughters Mary Lou and husband Steve Wieland of Westside; Doris and husband Charles Erlbacher of Dow City and Diane and husband Kevin Teno of Sioux Rapids; two sons Ken Rohe of Manning and special friend Denise Christensen and Keith Rohe of Templeton; daughter-in-law Mary Rohe of Manning; 14 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; two step-grandchildren and two step-great-grandchildren; brother Vernon Rohe and wife Vi of Manning; sisters-in-law Evelyn and husband Richard Morrell of Ocala, FL and Irene Meislahn of Gray; many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Anthony Hospice in Carroll.

Mass of Christian Burial was held Wednesday, July 7, 2010, at 11:00 a.m. at the Sacred Heart Church in Manning, with Reverend Robert Gralapp, celebrant, and Reverend James McAlpin, concelebrant. Lector was Daryl Rohe; Eucharistic Minister was John Rohe. Mass servers were Ross Rohe and Robert Tank and gift bearers were Tom Rohe and Dave Rohe. Music was "Here I Am Lord", "How Great Thou Art", "Amazing Grace", and "On Ea-



gle's Wings" with Sacred Heart Choir and Pat Heithoff, organist. Casket bearers were his grandsons, Andy Rohe, Kevin Rohe, Marcus Rohe, Ben Wieland, Derrick Rohe, Doug Erlbacher, Scott Erlbacher, and Brandon Teno. Honorary casket bearers were his granddaughters, Katie Rohe, Cassie Wieland, Haley Wieland, Dawn Rohe, Bonnie Erlbacher, and Kenzie Teno. Interment with military honors was provided by American Legion Emil Ewoldt Post 22 and VFW Post 3517 in the Sacred Heart Cemetery in Manning. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Anthony Hospice in Carroll.

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