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Claudius J. Schnepel, 87

MINDEN - Claudius John Schnepel was born on a farm in Pottawattamie County, Iowa, April 29, 1901. He was the son of Rudolph and Amanda Dau Schnepel. He was one of eight children in the family.

He married Irene Buell, Oct. 16, 1935 at Co. Bluffs. He farmed in the Minden area and for many years he drove a truck for the Merkert Grain and Feed Company in Minden. They were the parents of one son, Marlyn. He was a member of the United Church of Christ in Minden. He died of a heart attack at his farm home Nov. 23, 1988 at age 87 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, Grace Siebels and Vera Schroder. He is survived by his wife, Irene of rural Hancock; their son, Marlyn of rural Hancock; two grandsons, one great-granddaughter; five brothers and sisters, Mrs Emil (Linda) Danker of Minden; Ralph Schnepel of Co. Bluffs; Gifford Schnepel of Minden; Mrs John (Mildred) Nelson of Harlan and Mrs Kenneth (Alpha) Haas of Atlantic besides other relatives.

Services were held Nov. 26 at United Church of Christ in Minden with Pastor Norman E. Meyer officiating. Burial was in Minden cemetery with David Schnepel, Verne Schroder, Larry Siebels, Danny Schnepel, Maynard Danker and Gary Schnepel serving as casket bearers. Berthusen-Knutson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.