

Gilbert Scheef, 76

Feb. 13, 1923 – April 16, 1999

UEHLING, NE – Gilbert Wallace Scheef was born Feb. 13, 1923 in Walnut. He was the son of John and Hulda Lebeck Scheef and was one of four children in the family. He graduated from Walnut High School in 1942. He served with the Army during World War II in the South Pacific.

He married Faye Nichols Nov. 26, 1942, in Papillion, NE. Following WW II they moved to Fayetteville, AR where they lived for five years. They then moved to Sioux City where he was employed as a photographer with Voiland Genelli Studios for 15 years. Later they moved to Fremont, NE where he operated Prestige Portraits for 12 years. They moved to Craig, NE in 1976 and held various jobs until 1981 when he started working at Logan View School as a custodian in the Hooper-Uehling School District, retiring in 1986. He was a member of the American Legion and V.F.W., Rotary Club, American Rabbit Breeders Assn., South Dakota Rabbit Breeders Assn., Mid-City Rabbit Breeders Club, Iowa State Rabbit Breeders Assn., and the National Polish Rabbit Breeders Assn. from which he received 5th place in the nation in 1998. He died April 16, 1999, at the Fremont Area Medical Center in Fremont, NE, at age 76 years, two months and three days.

He was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his wife, Faye; their children, Judy (Marvin) Peacock of Tyndall, SD; Sandy (Vaughn) Canady of Mission Hill, SD; and Kallon Scheef (Barb) of Omaha; two grandchildren, Kurt and Kyle Scheef; two sisters, Mildred Glenn of Walnut; Myrna (James) Wylie of Oskaloosa and a brother, John Scheef of Marshall, MO; and other relatives.

Memorial services were held April 22, 1999, at the American Legion Hall, Uehling, NE, with Pastor Don Botic officiating. Graveside services were held at the Walnut Cemetery with Rev. Doris Ruben officiating. Military graveside rites were conducted by the Walnut American Legion and AmVets. Honorary casket bearers were Lloyd Troll, Howard Brunken, Robert Fresner and Vaughn Canady. Casket bearers were Ed Olsen, Wayne Westergaard, Gary Lebeck, John Price, Russell Lehnhardt and Marvin Peacock. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.