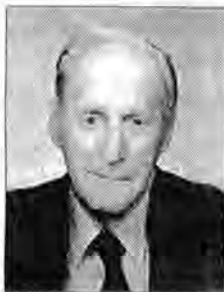


Dexter Schroder, 84

Nov. 14, 1921 - May 22, 2006

HARLAN — Dexter Adolph Schroeder, the son of Walter H. and Ella Dorthea Woltmann Schroeder, was born Nov. 14, 1921, in Hancock. He attended school in Pottawattamie County and was a member of the graduating class of 1940. Oct. 28, 1942, he enlisted in the United States Army at Fort Crook, NE. Dexter served his country during World War II in the Asiatic Theater, serving in India for 29 months. He was awarded a Good Conduct Medal. Feb. 6, 1946, he was honorably discharged at Fort Leavenworth, KS.



Nov. 25, 1949, Dexter married Jean Ione Maassen at the Congregational United Church of Christ in Harlan. Four children were born to this union, Judy, Nancy, Jane and David. After their marriage, the couple lived on a farm south of Audubon and then moved to a farm in Walnut. In 1955, the couple moved to the Maassen Family Farm. He served on the Shelby County A.S.C.S. for Lincoln Township, receiving 10 years of service award. He was also a lifetime member of the V.F.W. Post No. 941 and past commander. Dexter was an active member of the Congregational Church and served on many committees. He also drove truck for various people and construction companies. He died May 22, 2006, at the Elm Crest Retirement Community at age 84 years, six months and eight days.

In addition to his parents, Dexter was preceded in death by his brother and sisters-in-law, Ivan Schroeder and his wife, Veta, and Janice Schroeder and sister, Dorthea Keller. Survivors include his wife, Jean of Harlan; his children, Judy Schroeder of Omaha, NE; Nancy (Tim) Peterson of Fremont, NE; Jane (Terry) Burger of Las Vegas, NV; David Schroeder (Lisa) of Woodbury, MN; six grandchildren; one great-grandchild; brothers, Lloyd Schroeder of Rockaway Beach, MO; Howard Schroeder (Harriet) of Inver Grove, MN; brother-in-law, Arlie Keller of Atlantic; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held May 25, 2006, at the Congregational United Church of Christ in Harlan, with Rev. Donna Ewert officiating. Military rites were conducted in the Harlan Cemetery by the American Legion Helmer Reyelt Post No. 150 and the Shelby County VFW Post No. 941. Casket bearers were David Schroeder, Ed Keller, Brad Schroeder, Todd Schroeder, Tim Peterson, Dan Petersen, and Terry Burger. Pauley Jones Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.