

Orville "Clayton" Young II, 88
Oct. 25, 1923 - March 6, 2012

HANCOCK — Orville Clayton Young was born on October 25, 1923 in rural Hancock to Orville and Alpha (Eichenberger) Young. He grew up on the family farm with an older sister Darlene and a younger brother Darrell. Clayton attended James No. 3 country school west of Hancock through eighth grade and graduated from Shelby High School in 1940. He served with pride from January of 1944 through January of 1946 in the United States Army infantry during World War II where he received a Silver Star for Gallantry in Action. After being honorably discharged, Clayton returned to the farm.

Clayton married Gloria Mildred Nelson on October 12, 1947. To this marriage three sons were born: Larry, Ronald, and David. Gloria preceded him in death on February 19, 1976.

Clayton married Carol Frances Hobus (Russmann) on December 5, 1976. She brought two sons and two daughters into the marriage: Phil, Sharyn, Roger, and Colleen. One son, Brian, was born to Carol and Clayton. Clayton farmed all of his life. Helping raise his three sons and then helping Carol raise her two sons and two daughters was something Clayton was very proud of. After retiring from farming in 1988, Clayton and Carol continued to live on the farm, keeping busy raising their youngest son Brian, woodworking, helping his brother Darrell and niece's husband Phil Enke on the farm and working part-time at Farm Service in Shelby at the fertilizer plant. After his marriage to Carol, Clayton transferred his church membership from Silver Creek United Methodist west of Hancock to United Lutheran in Shelby where he continued an active role in the church serving as a deacon, serving on the church council and teaching Sunday School. Clayton loved his family and was a great husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. Clayton loved to travel, camping, and mountain hiking. He was an excellent woodworker. He loved making crafts to give to others. Clayton died peacefully on Tuesday, March 6, 2012, at the Avoca Nursing Home in Avoca, having attained the age of eighty-eight years, four months, and ten days.

Clayton was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife Gloria, infant son David, and sister Darlene. He is survived by his wife Carol Young of Hancock; sons: Larry Young and his wife Carmen of Story City, Ron Young and his wife Teresa of Monroe, and Brian Young and his wife Alina of St. Louis, MO; step-children: Phil Hobus of Avoca, Sharyn and her husband Phil Zimmerman of Earling, Roger Hobus and his wife Peggy of Avoca, and Colleen and her husband Ron Taylor of Montezuma; six grandchildren; eleven step-grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; three step-great-grandchildren; his brother Darrell Young and his wife Arleta of Hancock; four nieces and numerous grand nieces and nephews and great-grand nieces and nephews.

Pastor Duane Anunson officiated the 10:30



a.m. funeral service on Saturday, March 10, 2012 at the United Lutheran Church in Shelby. Serving as casket bearers were Rachel Zimmerman, Rob Whitham, Emily Zimmerman, Kyle Young, Andy Hobus, Rob Hobus, and Brad Hobus. Military Rites were provided by the Minden American Legion Post No. 437 and the Shelby American Legion Post No. 240 at the Silver Valley Cemetery in Hancock.

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