

LeRoy E. “Roy” Schwanz, age 73, of Storm Lake, Iowa, died Wednesday, February 1, 2006 at Mercy Medical Center in Sioux City, Iowa.

LeRoy E. Schwanz was born on March 25, 1932, in Ida Grove, Iowa to Andrew and Bessie (Welding) Schwanz. He graduated from Schaller High School in 1950. He then served his country in the U.S. Army from November 1952-54.

On March 30, 1953, LeRoy was united in marriage to Pearl Sands in Jackson, Minnesota. To this union, four children were born: Gary, David, Cindy and Tim.

Over the years, LeRoy logged many hours on the road as a truck driver for Ready-Mix, until his retirement in 1993.

LeRoy was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Alta, Iowa. He enjoyed many outdoor activities, such as, fishing, golfing, gardening and traveling.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife of over 50 years, Pearl Schwanz of Storm Lake; children: Gary Schwanz of Sioux City, Iowa, David Schwanz of Storm Lake, Iowa, Cindy Schwanz (Blake Trapp) of Aurelia, Iowa, Tim Schwanz and his wife Kathy of Waterloo, Iowa; grandchildren: Erik (Amanda) Schwanz of Cherokee, Matt (Rose) Schwanz of Cherokee, Jeremy Schwanz of Waterloo, Kevin Schwanz of Waterloo, Ryan Schwanz of Waterloo, Adam Schwanz of Ida Grove; great grandchildren, Tyler Schwanz of Cherokee, and Brandon Schwanz of Cherokee; two brothers, Wilbert (Lila) Schwanz of Alta, and Paul (Marie) Schwanz of Denison; one sister, Betty Sands of Holstein; sister-in-law Marie Schwanz of Schleswig; brother-in-law, Don Detterman of Ida Grove; and many extended family and friends.

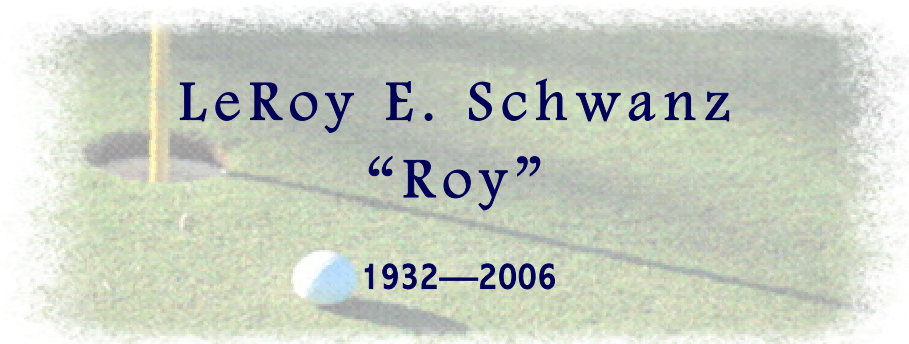
LeRoy was preceded in death by his parents, Andrew and Bessie Schwanz; four brothers: Ed, Harry, Clarence and Lester; and two sisters: Sally and Dorothy.



Remembering A Special Life

LeRoy E. Schwanz
“Roy”

1932—2006



God's Garden

God looked around His garden and
He found an empty place.
He then looked down upon the earth
and saw your tired face.
He put His arms around you,
and lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful;
He always takes the best.
He knew that you were suffering.
He knew you were in pain.
He knew that you would
never get well on earth again.
He saw the road was getting rough and
the hills were hard to climb.
So He closed your weary eyelids and
whispered, "Peace be thine."
It broke our hearts to lose you,
but you didn't go alone,
for part of us went with you
the day God called you home.

-author unknown

We wish to express our gratitude for the kindness evidenced in
thought and deed, and for your attendance at this service.
You are invited for lunch and a time of fellowship at the church following
the burial.

The Schwanz Family

IN MEMORY OF

LeRoy E. Schwanz
"Roy"

March 25, 1932 — February 1, 2006

FUNERAL SERVICE

Saturday, February 4, 2006 at 10:30 a.m.
Trinity Lutheran Church, Alta, Iowa

CLERGY

Reverend Ted Eilders

ORGANIST

Randall Ericksen

SOLOIST

Randall Ericksen
"How Great Thou Art"

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

"Amazing Grace"
"What A Friend We Have In Jesus"

HONORARY CASKETBEARERS

Erik Schwanz—Kevin Schwanz—Ryan Schwanz—Adam Schwanz

CASKETBEARERS

Matt Schwanz—Brian Schwanz—Arlo Schwanz
Doug Dausel—Myron Sands—Jeremy Schwanz

INTERMENT

Full Military Rites by Alta V.F.W. Post #6172
Buena Vista Memorial Cemetery
Storm Lake, Iowa

Arrangements by
FRATZKE & JENSEN FUNERAL HOMES

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