



## DeWitt Steig

December 4, 1920 - August 26, 2012

DeWitt Steig, age 91, of Storm Lake, Iowa died Sunday, August 26, 2012 at Sunset Knoll Care & Rehab Center in Aurelia, Iowa. DeWitt Frederick was born on December 4, 1920 in Storm Lake to Walter and Rebecca (Wilson) Steig. As a young boy, his family moved to Correctionville, Iowa. He graduated from Correctionville High School in 1939. After graduation, he went to work for the Council Oak Grocery Chain in Rockwell City. DeWitt was a World War II Veteran. In January of 1941, he enlisted in the United States Navy. He attended the University of Houston where he received his M/2C Degree. He was then assigned aboard a ship where he served until his honorable discharge in October of 1945. On September 23, 1945, DeWitt was united in marriage to Ruby Grieme at St. John's Lutheran Church in Storm Lake. The couple was blessed with one daughter, Wendie. After his honorable discharge, he worked for Wilbur Hussey Heating Co. as a metal smith. In 1947, he was employed in the United States Post Office and spent 30 years as a city carrier and clerk. In May of 1977, he retired from the post office to work full time at the Rustic shop which the Steig's started the year before. The shop was located just north of the Vista Theatre downtown Storm Lake. In 1981, DeWitt and Ruby bought out the Linen Shop and then named it Gift World in downtown Storm Lake. They ran it until their retirement in 1993, when their daughter, Wendie, took over the business. DeWitt and Ruby lived in their same home in Storm Lake for 55 years. Those left to cherish his memory include his daughter, Wendie Whitney and her husband, Bill of Aurelia, Iowa; three grandchildren: Adam Whitney and wife, Jessica, of Des Moines, Iowa; Megan Zimmerman and husband, Eric, of Ida Grove, Iowa; Heather Siepker and husband, Nick, of Sioux City, Iowa; six great grandchildren: Connor Whitney, Aubree and Hayden Zimmerman, Tanner and Hailey Siepker, Jacob Zimmerman; one sister-in-law, Frances Steig of Webster City, Iowa; one brother, Walt Steig and wife, Betty of Sioux City, Iowa; nieces and nephews; extended family and friends. Preceding DeWitt in death is his wife, Ruby; his parents; sister, Norma; brother, Bob; and infant grandson, Jeramy Whitney.