



## Lester L. Grunig

February 15, 1924 - October 19, 2013

Lester "Les" Grunig, age 89, of Storm Lake, Iowa died October 19, 2013 at the Methodist Manor Retirement Community in Storm Lake. Lester Louis Grunig was born February 15, 1924 in Hanover, Iowa, the son of Fred and Mary (Fett) Grunig. As an infant, he was baptized at St. John Lutheran Church in Hanover and later confirmed at St. John Lutheran Church in Storm Lake. Growing up, Lester attended country school in Grant Township and graduated from Storm Lake High School in 1942. On January 27, 1943, Lester enlisted in the United States Army Air Force where he served his country during World War II as a Corporal until he was honorably discharged on February 9, 1946. On May 18, 1947, Lester was united in marriage to Marlene A. Olson at St. John Lutheran Church in Storm Lake. Together, they were blessed with three children: Tom, Susan, and Mary. Lester was a member of the St. John Lutheran Church in Storm Lake where he served as an Elder and a Trustee. He was also a member of the Sunday school board, finance committee, and the building committee. Lester was a farmer and a Dekalb dealer for many years. In his spare time, he enjoyed cheering on the Iowa Hawkeyes, especially the football team. A special memory of Lester's was his trip to Europe. Lester loved his family and enjoyed spending time with his wife, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him. Those left to cherish his memory include his wife of 66 years, Marlene Grunig of Storm Lake, Iowa; children: Tom (Kristin) Grunig of Sioux City, Iowa; Susan Miller of Littleton, Colorado; Mary (Terry)

Parson of Storm Lake, Iowa; grandchildren: Ben Grunig of Arvada, Colorado; Kelly Grunig of Sioux City, Iowa; Chad (Kelsey) Miller of Centreville, Virginia; Sean Miller of Littleton, Colorado; Kara (Edwin) Lorenzo of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Tyler (Melinda) Parson of Holstein, Iowa; great grandchildren: Alexis and Azik Lester Grunig of Colorado Springs, Colorado; Belle and Cayden Hathaway of Sioux City, Iowa; Lina Lorenzo of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Silas and Deacon Parson of Holstein, Iowa; sister, Marian Kjolhede of Storm Lake, Iowa; brother-in-law, Charles (Dorothy) Perrin of Cherokee, Iowa; extended family and friends. Lester was preceded in death by his father, Fred Grunig; his mother, Mary Grunig; stepmother, Meta Grohe Grunig; brother, Roy (Gladys) Grunig; sisters: Ellen (Joe) Heun; Lorna (Ansgar) Forsberg; brother-in-law, Arnold Kjolhede; son-in-law, Michael Miller; mother-in-law, Hedvig Harrison; father-in-law, Emmanuel Olson; stepfather-in-law, John Harrison; and sisters-in-law: Doris (Howard) Hall; Joyce Perrin; and Arleta Cossman.