



## Willard Schuler

June 20, 1923 - February 16, 2013

Willard Schuler, age 89, of Newell, Iowa died Saturday, February 16, 2013 at the Buena Vista Regional Medical Center in Storm Lake, Iowa. Willard Clarence Schuler was born June 20, 1923, in Sloan, Iowa, the son of John "Jack" and Grace (Willett) Schuler. During World War II, Willard entered the military service on November 7, 1944, proudly serving his country in the U.S. Army. He participated in the Liberation of the Philippines on Leyetee and Luzon and the Occupation of Japan. On August 4, 1946, Willard was honorably discharged. On January 25, 1947, Willard married Edna I. O'Rourke in Sac City, Iowa. Together, they were blessed with five children: Tom, Colleen, Donald, Todd, and Nolan. Willard was a devoted member of the St. Mary's Catholic Church in Storm Lake, Iowa. Over the years, Willard was an active member of the community. He was proud to have started the Newell Little League. Additionally, he was a member of the VFW, Lions Club, AFL/CIO Union Member and American Legion of Newell, where he served as Post Commander and County Historian. Willard's many interests included golfing, baseball, football, hunting, fishing and watching high school sports. Those left to cherish Willard's memory include his five children: Tom (Debbie) Schuler of St. Charles, Missouri; Colleen (Neal) Degner of Wentzville, Missouri; Donald (Donna) Schuler of St. Charles, Missouri; Todd (Angela) Schuler of Avon, Ohio; Nolan (Kinda) Schuler of Colorado Springs, Colorado; 17 grandchildren; 11 great grandchildren; two brothers: Wayne (Jean) Schuler of Atlantic, Iowa; and Gerald (Joyce) Sievers

of Bellevue, Nebraska; two sisters: Maxine Corderman of Newell, Iowa; and Marie (Joe) Waskil of Sun Lake, Arizona; extended family and many friends. Preceding Willard in death are his wife, Edna; his father, John "Jack" Schuler; his mother, Grace Sievers; his step-father, Paul Sievers; two brothers: Donald Schuler and Darwin Sievers; and his sister, Marjorie Cressler.