



William "Bill" A. Anderson

September 18, 1926 - January 18, 2012

William "Bill" Anderson, age 85, of Alta, Iowa died January 18, 2012 at the Buena Vista Regional Medical Center in Storm Lake. William Andrew Anderson, son of William and Irene Anderson was born on September 18, 1926 at his grandparents' home in Schaller, Iowa. His early years were spent on the family farm. He attended country school and graduated from Hayes Consolidated School in 1943. In 1944 he and his friend, Bob Winkler went to Sioux City and enlisted in the United States Navy. They were separated at boot camp. Bill was a member of the Amphibious Forces and served in the South Pacific and the Philippine Islands attaining the rank of Signalman Third Class. He was honorably discharged in 1946 and returned home to farm with his father. In February of 1950, he met the love of his life, Vivian Carlberg. They were married September 17, 1950 in the Little Brown Church at Nashua, Iowa. To this union five children were born: Kathy Sue (died in infancy), Debra, James, Dennis and Julie. Bill had a love for motorcycles and bought his first Harley at the age of fifteen and continued to ride into his eighties. He also received his pilot's license in 1948 and spent many enjoyable hours in the air. Bill and Vivian spent the first eight years of their married life farming the family farm and he then took a job with HyGrade, where he worked until the plant closed. Bill was a member of St. Mark Lutheran Church where he served on the council as President. He was a long time member of Serpaci Car Club where he was President for a term. They attended many gatherings and car shows where he was very proud of

his Grandfather's 1926 model-T that he restored. He was a union representative and a member of Storm Lake Toastmasters. He was also a 60 year plus member of the Schaller VFW. In later years, Bill and Vivian wintered for twenty three years in Pharr, Texas. The last few years, he began collecting tractors and restoring them. He was very proud of his Dad's B Farmall which he restored. Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Vivian Anderson of Alta, Iowa; children: Debra (Gary) Demers of Storm Lake, Iowa; James (Sally) Anderson of Storm Lake, Iowa; Dennis Anderson of West Des Moines, Iowa; and Julie (Tom) Davies of Mason City, Iowa; grandchildren: Amy (Shawn) Cogdill of Woodbine, Iowa; Jeffrey Demers of McCook Lake, South Dakota; Kristen (Jeff) Leng of Primghar, Iowa; Jennifer Anderson of Maryville, Missouri; Ben Anderson of Clive, Iowa; Luke Anderson of Clive, Iowa; Ryan (fianc , Sarah McClanahan) Schultze of Scottsdale, Arizona; Tyler (Hollie) Schultze of Iowa City, Iowa; step grandson, Ryan (fianc , Donna Clark) Buckendahl of Spirit Lake, Iowa; great grandchildren: Kylee, Isabelle, Brody, Jackson, Allison, and Kaleb; sister-in-law, Darlene Wright of Schaller, Iowa; brother-in-law, Marvin (Lois) Carlberg of Early, Iowa; many nieces and nephews; extended family and many friends. Bill was preceded in death by his parents, William and Irene Anderson; infant daughter, Kathy Sue Anderson; sister and brother-in-law, Annabelle (Rudy) Ward; parents-in-law, Willard and Tessie Carlberg; sister-in-law, Delores Carlberg; brother-in-law, Bob Wright; and his nephew, Andy Ward.