



Russell C. Hurley

August 18, 1917 - December 14, 2009

Russell C. Hurley, age 92, died at the Rensselaer Care Center Monday, December 14th following a lengthy illness.

Russell was born in Jordan Township, Jasper County on August 18, 1917, the youngest child of Robert H. Hurley and Lulu (Grey) Hurley. He attended Jordan Township grade school and graduated from Brook High School in 1935. He farmed with his father after high school.

On December 24, 1938, he married Doris E. Sell of Brook, Indiana. Russell was employed on a dairy farm in Newton County for three years. In March, 1942 they moved to Hanging Grove Township, and that farm was their home until 1978 when they moved to Rensselaer. For a number of years they had a dairy, but later hogs became the farm emphasis and many sales were held at the farm in partnership with their son, Stephen.

Russell and Doris are the parents of four children, Alan Russell, Lynn Eileen, Stephen Robert and Marcia Ann.

Russell was a life-long farmer and a member of many farm organizations. For ten years he was a leader of the Hanging Grove 4-H club and he felt it to be his greatest achievement. Russell was involved with the Jasper County Livestock Association, Jasper County Extension Board, Chester White Association, Duroc Breeders' Association, Jasper County Farm Bureau Co-op, and Pork Producers. He continued to help at the farm until he was legally blind and could not drive.

Russell's hobbies were reading and listening to Talking Books, card playing

with friends and fishing in Florida. He was an avid gardener in retirement. His joy was his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church.

Russell is survived by his wife, Doris and his children: Alan (Carol) Hurley, Lynn (Warren) Whaley, Stephen (Janet) Hurley and Marcia (Tom) Kidd. Also surviving are 11 grandchildren and 25 great grandchildren. Russell is also survived by cousins and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Ernest (Bud) and his sisters, Elsie Henry and Lois Bunning.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 17. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer

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Tribute Wall



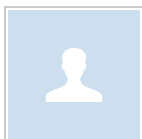
“ Russell was a true gentleman with a gentle spirit. He & Doris befriended us back in the 70's and we've loved them ever since. Our lose is surely Heaven's gain. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Doris, and all the family.
Mary Clyde & June
Ocilla, Georgia###imported-begin##Mary Clyde & Talmadge Wright, Jr.###imported-end##

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“ You are all in my prayers at the loss of your father and husband.###imported-begin##Judy (Sheffer) Mitchell###imported-end##

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“ God has called Russell home. Doris and the entire Hurley family is in our thoughts and prayers. Steve gave Rick his first (and only) full time job right out of high school and it was Rick's pleasure to work with, and learn the art of farming & swine production from, Russell. We will always have fond memories of such a wonderful man.

Rick, Becky, Amy (& Jason) and Kevin Shide###imported-begin##Rick & Becky Shide###imported-end##

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