

Charles Hein, 84

June 21, 1922 - Jan. 14, 2007

OMAHA, NE — Charles Richard Hein was born June 21, 1922, to Charles and Eva (Baker) Hein in Dunlap. He grew up in Dunlap and graduated from Dunlap High School in 1939. He enlisted in the Navy in 1942 and was stationed in Hawaii. After his honorable discharge in 1946, Charles moved back to Dunlap to help on the family farm, and he was also a substitute mail carrier. Charles met Joan Hugron while she was teaching in Dow City.

Charles married Joan in Sioux City Sept. 16, 1950. He continued to farm and work for the postal service becoming a full time rural mail carrier in the late 1970's. He retired in 1984. The couple moved to Colorado for a while and then settled in Omaha in 1994. Charles was a member of the American Legion in Dunlap and Woodbine; and was a past Commander of the Woodbine Legion. He died Jan. 14, 2007, at his home in Omaha at age 84 years, six months, and 24 days.

Charles was preceded in death by his parents; one son, Vincent; and one sister who died in infancy. He is survived by his wife, Joan Hein of Omaha, NE; son, Jim Hein (Dianne) of Houston, TX; two daughters, Tricia Hein (Steve) Sjoberg of Austin, TX; Susan Hein of San Francisco, CA; two grandchildren, Claire and Preston Hein of Houston, TX; one brother, Fred Hein of Crescent; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at the Fouts Funeral Home in Woodbine, Jan. 19, 2007, with Rev. Paul Strittmatter celebrating. Casket bearers were Randy Barry, Donald Clark, Stephen Fischer, Donald Kelley, Paul Kelley, and Bob Thompson. Military graveside services were by the Weiss American Legion Post #143 at Pleasant Hill Cemetery in Dunlap.
